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Plan B over-the-counter

Morning-after pill step closer to easy access

By **KRISTEN THOMPSON**
Metro Vancouver

back-up contraceptive
» Plan B can be used within three days of unprotected sex.
» It retails for about $20-$25 and is 95 per cent effective.

British Columbia women who need an emergency contraceptive might soon be able to grab one right off the pharmacy shelf.

Yesterday, Plan B — also known as the morning-after pill — was granted over-the-counter status by the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities.

Canada became the fifth country in the world to do so, but the College of Pharmacists of B.C. must also give its approval.

Until yesterday, Plan B was available without a prescription but women had to ask a pharmacist for it.

Colleen Metge, former president of the College of Pharmacists of B.C., said this intimidated some women.

"Teenagers in particular (might) deny themselves emergency contraception because (they're) too shy or afraid of being judged."

She also said there's no evidence it leads sexual promiscuity or a drop in the use of regular birth control, adding it's not an abortion pill and won't terminate a pregnancy.

Betty Green, president the Vancouver Right For Life Society, said she disapproves of the move.

"Anything (that) ends life that has already begun is an abortion," she said.

Some pharmacists who shared that view have declined to dispense Plan B.

Marshall Moleschi, registrar with the College of Pharmacists, said a recommendation to the provincial government will likely be approved this summer.

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B.C. Place to get retractable roof after Games

By **SCOTT RINTOUL**
for Metro Vancouver

B.C. Place will be fitted for a retractable roof, but the 2010 Opening Ceremonies will still be held under the current Teflon covering.

price tag
» The cost of a retractable roof is estimated at $200 million: B.C. Pavilion Corp.

The announcement is expected at a press conference this morning involving Premier Gordon Campbell and representatives from the Vancouver Whitecaps.

Campbell will say that a retractable roof is coming, but with the 2010 Olympics looming, there isn't enough time for a full replacement. Meanwhile, the 25-year-old inflatable roof will be refurbished.

A second announcement about B.C. Place inheriting another tenant is also expected, according to Vancouver-based communications consultant Tom Mayenknecht.

The Vancouver Whitecaps will declare their formal intention to apply for a Major League Soccer franchise, which will require them to play under the dome until the issue of a waterfront stadium is resolved.

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Holiday weekend heat

Calena Olsen, left, and Rachel Schmidt take in the sun — finally — on Second Beach yesterday. Weekend temperatures are expected to hit 31 C. Story, page 2.

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Delicious? Don't eat it! The Canadian Food Inspection Agency said some frozen ground beef may contain E-coli. Avoid Tango's Gourmet Meats prime-rib burgers, beef patties at Jackson's on Granville Street, quarter-pound burgers at Heringer's in Richmond, and beef burgers at Ozark Country Meats in Surrey. METRO VANCOUVER

'I very much miss him'

Polish immigrant's mother speaks at Taser inquiry

By **JEFF HODSON**
Metro Vancouver

Robert Dziekanski would still be alive if RCMP hadn't Tasered him at Vancouver International Airport, the man's mother told a public forum on conducted energy weapons yesterday.

"I know that my son would not have died if he hadn't been Tasered," a tearful Zofia Cisowski told the Braidwood Inquiry in Vancouver.

The two-part inquiry, headed by former B.C. Supreme Court judge Thomas Braidwood, was called after Dziekanski's death in October.

The first part will examine the use of Tasers by municipal police and sheriffs. The second will examine the circumstances around the death of the 40-year-old Polish immigrant.

Cisowski, who lives in Kamloops, spoke at the inquiry "so another mother will not have to experience the pain and suffering that I have."

Her lawyer, Walter Kosteckyj, said Cisowski suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder and an intense sense of guilt over what happened.

> *« I know that my son would not have died if he hadn't been Tasered. »*
> *Zofia Cisowski*

"I very much miss him," she said outside the inquiry yesterday. "Even now, I cry if I see his picture. I kiss his picture every day."

Kosteckyj, a former RCMP officer, told the inquiry that there should be a moratorium on the use of Tasers until concerns over safety, proper training and reporting have been answered.

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Zofia Cisowski, mother of Robert Dziekanski, speaks with reporters in Vancouver yesterday outside a public inquiry into the use of Tasers by police.

Drivers, bathers to feel the heat

Beaches open, Granville closes

By **ANDREW KING**
for Metro Vancouver

The hot weather has arrived — at last. Temperatures are expected to hit 31 C today before the rain returns on Sunday, according to Environment Canada.

The sunshine arrives just as Vancouver's 11 bathing beaches officially open tomorrow, with lifeguards on duty from 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

And while beachgoers enjoy the sunshine, drivers are likely to feel the figurative heat of navigating through downtown road closures and while waiting to cross the border.

To kick off the Victoria Day long weekend, police will shut down Granville Street for the second consecutive year, starting tonight.

Vancouver police Const. Jana McGuinness said the closure is part of an effort to "crack down on rowdies" in the entertainment district.

Granville Street will be closed to traffic between Helmcken and Smithe from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. and will continue every Friday and Saturday night until September.

Motorists heading south should prepare for longer wait times at the border as Americans are rebuilding their side of the Peace Arch crossing. Starting Monday, four of the eight southbound inspection booths will be closed for six to eight weeks.

more sailings

» **B.C. Ferries will be adding 70 additional sailings over the holiday weekend, beginning today.**

Grits to go down in Guinness?

Premier Gordon Campbell's Liberals are on track to be record holders for avoiding answering questions with the excuse "It's before the courts," the NDP claims.

The Guinness Book of World Records has received a registration from the NDP that accuses the B.C. Liberal Party of using the excuse after being asked about everything from "corruption to criminal proceedings."

Guy Gentner, an NDP MLA from Delta North, announced the possible record to the legislature yesterday and said it would be about three months for Guinness to confirm it.

"The count today is 125 and climbing," Gentner said in his speech. "The count will continue until the end of session. It's a dreadful record — a record no other government will want to beat."

METRO VANCOUVER

»news In Brief

» **VICTORY** A teenager who was shoved to the floor, handcuffed and tethered for four hours has won a lawsuit against the Victoria police department, cknw.com reports. After viewing a security-camera tape, a jury ordered the police to pay the girl $60,000 in damages.

» **OOPS** A family rushing to catch a connecting flight between Vancouver and Winnipeg forgot their four-year-old son at YVR, CBC News Online reports. The toddler was found wandering the airport alone, and since both parents thought the boy was with the other, authorities were not alerted.

» **STUDY** A nine-year study suggests that young gay men in Vancouver are more prone to be victims of violent crime than straight men, CBC News Online reports. The B.C. Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS study concluded that number of assaults reported by gay men was double the violent overall crime rate in B.C.

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Tired of mowing the lawn? The B.C. SPCA needs a home for a llama that was abandoned in Surrey. Trevor, left, named after the hockey player because he's turned into a local favourite at the shelter, was found with two females who have since been adopted by a llama sanctuary in Langley. METRO VANCOUVER

Plan B's voyage to the counter

By **KRISTEN THOMPSON**
Metro Vancouver

Since Plan B was introduced in Canada in 1999, the so-called morning-after pill has been controversial.

After a federal regulatory agency granted it over-the-counter status yesterday, its maker, Paladin Labs, is waiting for the B.C. College of Pharmacists to give it final approval before it's moved from behind counters. In all other provinces, except Quebec and Newfoundland, it's immediately available.

» Canada is only the fifth country to agree to allow Plan B to be sold over-the-counter in pharmacies. It's also available in Norway, the Netherlands, Sweden and India.

» When it was first made available, women needed a prescription from doctors to use the drug.

» In April, 2005, it was upgraded to behind-the-counter status, which made it available without a prescription but required consultation with a pharmacist.

» In Feb. 2006, a story in the Canadian Medical Association Journal about women's lack of access to Plan B was altered by the publisher, prompting an opinion piece by the editor about censorship. He and another editor at the journal were fired.

» The National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities has now accepted a recommendation to grant it over-the-counter status, which would make it freely available on drug store shelves.

» The proposed change would see Plan B stocked near the pharmacist so women could easily ask for advice on its use.

»news In Brief

» **CON-AIR** Vancouver Police are sending home two people today to face charges as part of its Con-Air program. Perry O'Connor, 43, is being sent to Toronto for death threats and assault with a weapon. Christopher Gracewood, 33, is going back to Saskatoon for escaping from custody and carrying a concealed weapon.

» **CLOSURE** There will be no West Coast Express service on Victoria Day Monday. The closure applies to both the train and TrainBus service. Normal service resumes Tuesday.

» **GREEN** Premier Gordon Campbell is heading to South Korea tomorrow to promote B.C. expertise in clean technology and green building. Campbell will also open the B.C. Canada Pavilion in Beijing.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

VAG goes KRAZY!

Exhibit features anime, comics, graphic novels

By **KRISTEN THOMPSON**
Metro Vancouver

It's the kind of art exhibit your average teenage boy will want to be dragged to.

The Vancouver Art Gallery is bringing the worlds of anime, comics, cartoons, video games, manga, graphic novels and contemporary art together in one of the biggest exhibits ever organized by the gallery.

Kathleen Bartels, VAG director, said it's a "tremendous opportunity to forward the study of some of the world's fastest growing art forms."

Divided into seven sections defined by medium, the exhibition takes viewers through changing gallery environments that display more than 600 artworks, including sketches, storyboards, video games, animation cels and manga.

RAFE ARNOTT/METRO VANCOUVER

Pulitzer prize-winning graphic novelist Art Spiegelman talks about the Vancouver Art Gallery's latest exhibit. KRAZY!, which features comics, anime and art, opens tomorrow.

Art Spiegelman, a Pulitzer Prize-winning graphic novelist and co-curator of the exhibit, said it's the first of its kind to explore the pervasive visual culture and how its different mediums connect.

"As soon as we make categories for what we're living through, which is a world on screens, we're easily lost. They ooze into other categories."

He said the divides between something like comics and magma, and anime and video games, are blurry."

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showtime

» **KRAZY! The Delirious World Of Anime + Comics + Video Games + Art opens tomorrow and runs until Sept. 7.**

Pastor told free meals attracting addicts

By **DONNA NG**
for Metro Vancouver

Feeding the homeless is usually seen as a generous act but instead, an Abbotsford pastor has been told it's proliferating the homeless problem.

For the past six weeks on Thursday mornings, Christoph Reiners of the Peace Lutheran Church and volunteers handed out breakfast at the city's Jubilee Park.

But last week, at a meeting with three city councillors and local residents, Reiners was told to stop handing out meals because the breakfast program supposedly attracted drug addicts and panhandlers to the area.

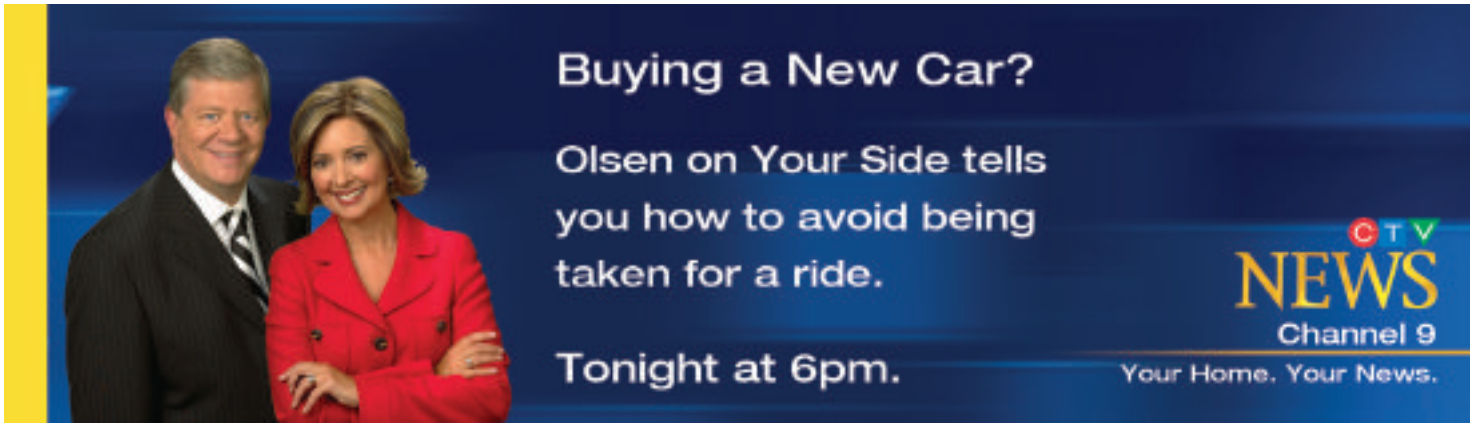
« There's no simple fix, we would love for an easy fix but not going to the park and not giving a meal is not it. »

Pastor Christoph Reiners

"We understand and we respect that concern, however, the homeless have been there before we've been, so we don't think we brought them in," Reiners said.

"There's no simple fix, we would love for an easy fix but not going to the park and not giving a meal is not it," he added. "These meals may change their outlook on life."

Abbotsford Coun. John Smith did not return calls by press time.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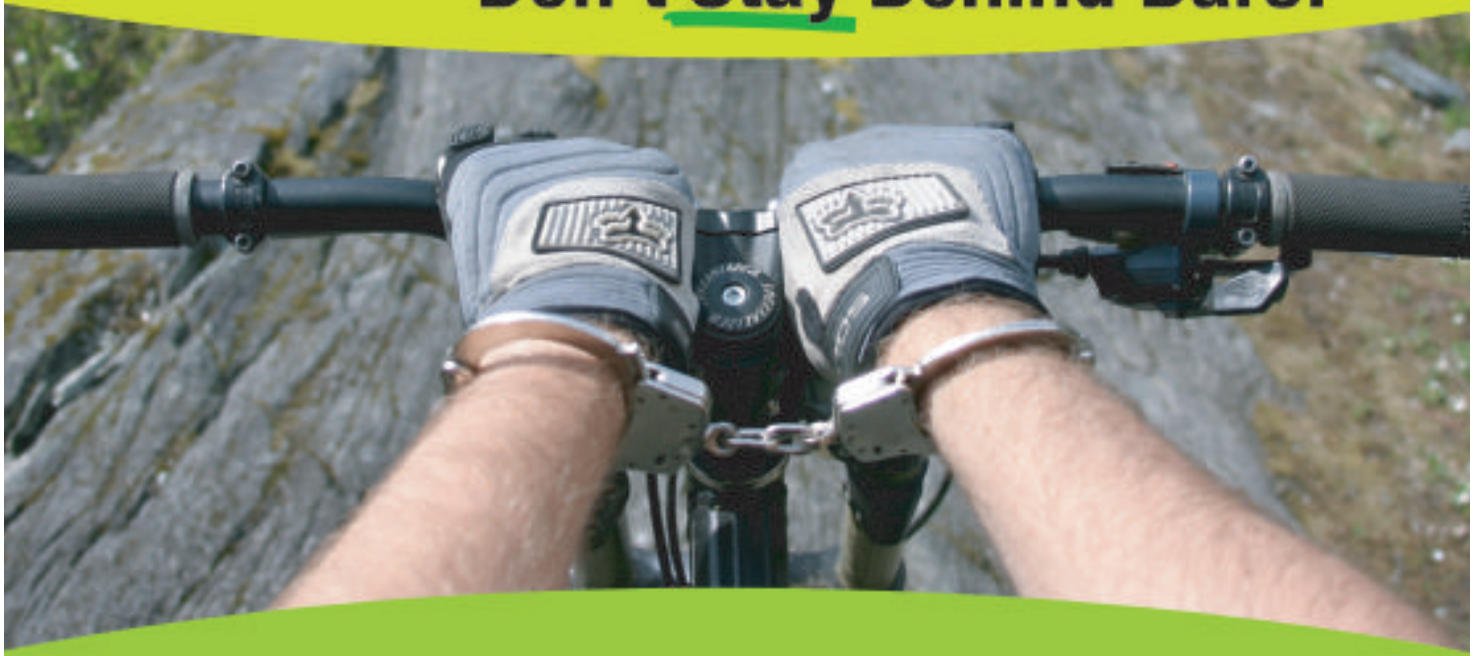

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Paralympic protests unlikely

Torch run for games to pass through city

By **JEFF HODSON**
Metro Vancouver

The tide of protests that threatened to douse the Olympic flame in London and Paris is unlikely to surface when the Paralympic torch makes its way through Vancouver in August.

"I have trouble imagining that there would be a protest around the Paralympics," said David Eby, a lawyer who blogs on the Olympics and homelessness at *davideby.blogspot.com*. "The excesses and the displacement and the tourism that impacts on the low-income community comes from the able-bodied Olympics."

In September, organizers of the Beijing Olympics announced the Paralympic Torch would pass through Vancouver, London, and Sochi, Russia.

input sought

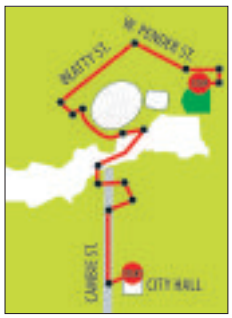
» The city said yesterday it is seeking input on the Aug. 29 relay.

A preliminary proposed route would see 40 people relay the torch from City Hall to Andy Livingstone Park in the Downtown Eastside.

Vancouver Mayor Sam Sullivan said the right to protest is important, but also doubts the relay would meet with serious resistance.

"This relay is about inclusiveness. It's about disability. It's about inspiration. It's about healing and rehabilitation. I don't think the public will be very sympathetic to people trying to disrupt this event."

Sullivan added he'd love to take part in the relay and believes the bracket that allowed him to wave the Olympic flag in Torino could be easily modified to hold a torch.



A proposed route for the Paralympic torch relay through Vancouver in August.

Fest mulls one-day tickets

Organizers of the three-day Pemberton Festival are considering selling one-day tickets after camping tickets are sold-out.

The festival runs from July 25 to 27 and features more than 50 artists including Coldplay, Jay-Z and Nine Inch Nails.

This year, in addition to the diverse artist lineup, the festival will also feature more than a dozen international and local DJs at the Bacardi B-Live dance tent for those who want a change of pace in music.

For more information visit *pembertonfestival.com*.

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Candy Zion from Havre, Mont., rides in the Ladies Barrel Racing event at the 2005 Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition.

Altered rodeo hopes to keep riding high

By **JEFF HODSON**
Metro Vancouver

The Cloverdale Rodeo is moseying down a solitary trail by giving up its "true" rodeo status. Organizers are hopeful that its changing ways will match the morals of the times and still draw big crowds.

event details

» The Cloverdale Rodeo and Country Fair runs today to Monday at the Cloverdale Rodeo and Exhibition Fairgrounds. Admission is $10. Children under 7 are free.

The rodeo dropped tie-down roping, steer wrestling, cowboy cow-milking and team roping from its bill after organizers put down a calf that was injured during a tie-down roping competition last year.

"There was a feeling that it was no longer reflective of the sensibilities of the community," said spokeswoman Laura Ballance.

As a result, the rodeo, now in its 62nd year, is no longer sanctioned by the Canadian or American professional rodeo association.

It means that cowboys and cowgirls participating in the event no longer receive points toward their professional totals.

Ballance said the prize-money in the remaining events — bull riding, barrel racing, saddle bronc and bareback — has been increased, making Cloverdale the second richest in the country after the Calgary Stampede.

"We're drawing the top cowboys and cowgirls in the world because they want to come here and get paid."

»news In Brief

» **GAMES** Members of the International Paralympic Committee are in Vancouver today wrapping up a review of VANOC's preparation for the 2010 Paralympic Games. Xavier Gonzalez, the committee's CEO, will report on the progress today.

» **BRUIN** A black bear kept conservation officers and police busy yesterday morning when it wandered into a Burnaby neighbourhood, cknw.com reports. Forest Grove Elementary school students were kept indoors before the bear headed back into the bush.

» **FAKE BILLS** Two Lower Mainland men have been charged with possessing counterfeit currency after they were pulled over during a routine traffic stop this week. John McDougall and Scott Dussault were in possession of more than $28,000 in counterfeit $20 and $50 bills.

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Students helping Chinese

Death toll likely to top 50,000 in quake aftermath

By **KRISTEN THOMPSON**
Metro Vancouver

Their formal education may have been disrupted, but 10 Lower Mainland kinesiology students caught in an earthquake while on a study program in China are learning a lot about helping.

The University College of the Fraser Valley (UCFV) students and their professor, who is keeping a blog on the schools' website, said they've spent the past two days trying to help in Chengdu's relief efforts.

PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRIS BERTRAM

Students from the University College of the Fraser Valley donate hand-made blankets, which they bought from street merchants, in Chengdu, China, yesterday.

The death toll in Monday's earthquake is expected to rise above 50,000 people.

Chris Bertram said the group went to town to donate blood on Wednesday, and yesterday bought and distributed blankets around Sichuan Normal University, where they are staying.

"This proved to be a remarkably significant gesture that probably means as much to our struggle to cope as it will to whomever should end up receiving these blankets," Bertram wrote.

"It was one of our student's 21st birthday (yesterday). We bought a birthday cake and had a bit of surprise party for him."

The group was also given a surprise visit from members of the Canadian consulate and embassy.

UCFV director of international education Karola Stinson arrives in Chengdu today to help work with the university to plan the students' next few weeks.

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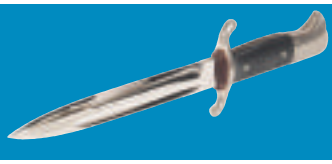

A Winnipeg man who asked his lover to carve a heart-shaped symbol on his chest during a rough sex game almost died when she accidentally pressed too hard, puncturing his heart yesterday. REUTERS

Bernier files for $70,000 trip

Minister's office says they are looking into claim

Conservative cabinet minister Maxime Bernier has a taste for expensive travel, government records show.

Bernier, who has been foreign affairs minister since last August, took a $22,573 airline flight to attend a two-day conference in Laos last November, with a stopover in Paris, according to travel records posted by the foreign affairs department on its "proactive disclosure" website.

Torstar News Service checked airfares and found that the minister could have made the trip to the Southeast Asian country comfortably for under $7,000.

With him on the trip were three staff, two whose flights were also pricey — about $18,500 each — plus one who reported flying to Laos for just $2,676.

With the additional cost of hotels and meals, the total bill to taxpayers was about $70,000. Bernier's flight was the most expensive flight taken by a government minister or official since the Harper government took power two years ago, according to government records.

Bernier's director of communications, Neil Hrab, said last night that his department is looking into a series of expense reports raised in queries.

Torstar News Service asked about the Laos trip, due to the high cost of the flight, and also some trips where hotel costs were unusually low. Hrab said they are scrambling to "reconcile" the information on their public website with invoices from American Express, which handled various bookings. He said they have had a high turnover of political and administrative staff at foreign affairs and have had a hard time getting answers to the questions over the past two days. "Not all of the travel and hospitality expense reports posted on the proactive disclosure website represent the final costs of travel," said Hrab. "I think some (costs) will go down," said Hrab. He said he did not know if some would go up.

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Laos meeting

» The Laos meeting, planned months in advance, was part of Canada's commitment to the ministerial conference of La Francophonie, a group that fosters relationships between French-speaking countries. The Prime Minister has stood by Bernier including recently when an ex-girlfriend of his was tied to Quebec biker gangs.

Halifax man guilty of spreading HIV

Girlfriend testified he did not tell her he was infected

By **PAUL MCLEOD**
Metro Halifax

A man who had unprotected sex with his girlfriend without telling her he was HIV-positive was found guilty of aggravated sexual assault yesterday in Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

Holland

Blaine Arthur Holland, 36, was diagnosed with HIV in 1995. He testified he told his girlfriend about his condition when they started dating back in March of 2005. But the girlfriend, who cannot be named, said he didn't tell her until a year later, after they had had sex over 100 times. She did not contract HIV.

Justice Arthur Pickup found Holland guilty after noting contradictions in his testimony — Holland initially said he disclosed his HIV status before the relationship got serious, then later said he revealed it before the relationship began.

During the trial a man came forward claiming that Holland had asked him to commit perjury. The man, described as friend of Holland's, said the defendant had asked him to testify that he had overheard Holland tell his girlfriend he had HIV back in March of 2005.

Protest **Safe injection site**

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Joey Only and Leah Martin held a peaceful vigil in front of Prime Minister Stephen Harper's constituency office in Calgary yesterday. The pair are travelling across Canada lobbying for protection of Vancouver's Insite Safe Injection site.

environment

Ottawa urged to protect polar bears

THREATS Two prominent green groups yesterday said Canada should follow the lead of the United States and take action to protect polar bears, which are threatened by melting ice.

Washington said on Wednesday it was listing the bears as a threatened species. Although Canada is home to around two-thirds of the world's 25,000 polar bears, Ottawa has not formally declared them in any kind of danger.

"Canada is lagging behind in its global responsibility to protect wildlife," said Rachel Plotkin, a biodiversity policy analyst at the David Suzuki Foundation.

Listing the polar bear as a species of concern would still allow the animals to be hunted.

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Tories to offer Native apology

PM to deliver message during June hearings

The government of Canada will issue a long-awaited apology to former students of Indian residential schools on June 11, Indian Affairs Minister Chuck Strahl announced yesterday.

The formal apology coincides with the start of the $60 million truth and reconciliation hearings on native residential schools slated to begin early next month.

"I am pleased and very proud to announce that the Prime Minister Stephen Harper, on behalf of the federal government and all Canadians, will make a statement of apology to former students of Indian residential schools on June 11 in the House of Commons," Strahl said.

Strahl said thousands of former residential students, have been calling for a formal apology from the government for a number of years.

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payouts

» So far, $1.3 billion has been paid to the residential school survivors for simply having gone to these schools, with more to come to those who were physically and sexually abused while at the schools.

Dion unveils tax proposal

Carbon levy plan will not hike gas prices, leader says

Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion began rolling out his politically risky carbon tax plan yesterday with a carrot-and-stick theme that he hopes will blunt Canadians' objections to higher fuel costs.

At the heart of the wide-ranging environmental package are hard-to-sell tax increases that will drive up the cost of heating a home with natural gas, oil or electricity from coal-fired plants. The Liberals say their plan would not raise gasoline prices, which are already subject to a federal excise tax.

The Liberals are promising to transfer every penny raised by higher energy taxes back to individual and corporate taxpayers in the form of income tax reductions, incentives for conservation and support for low-income earners.

It's a plan "that's good for your wallet and good for the planet," Dion told a lunchtime business audience in Toronto.

"We must create competitive advantages by lowering taxes on things we want more of — income, (business) innovation, savings and investment.

"And we must shift those taxes towards the things we want less of — pollution, greenhouse gas emissions, smog and waste," he explained. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

higher revenues

» Details of the plan will not be out for several weeks, but the proposed measures could increase Ottawa's tax take by an estimated $12 billion a year, according to economists.

Manitoba **Spring means snake season**

FRED GREENSLADE/REUTERS

Loralie McKelvey reacts as she holds a red-sided garter snake outside the snake's winter den in Narcisse, Man. Students and tourists visit the site where thousands of snakes exit the dens in the spring to perform their frenzied mating ritual before dispersing to nearby marshes.

Ontario

Province to cover sex-change surgery

HEALTH The small number of Ontarians hoping for sex-change operations will soon see the surgery covered by provincial health insurance again. The decision is expected to cost a total of $200,000 a year because just "eight to 10" people annually are expected to pass the "very rigorous" psychological evaluation required before the surgery, Health Minister George Smitherman said yesterday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

»news In Brief

» **ANIMALS** While the Calgary Zoo keeps a watchful eye on the remaining stingrays, they are also praising Calgarians' kindness. Herron wanted to thank Calgarians for their kind emails and letters in the wake of the death of the popular stingrays this week. The stingray and neighbouring elephant exhibits remain closed while the zoo awaits toxicology results back to determine what exactly killed 40 of their 43 stingrays. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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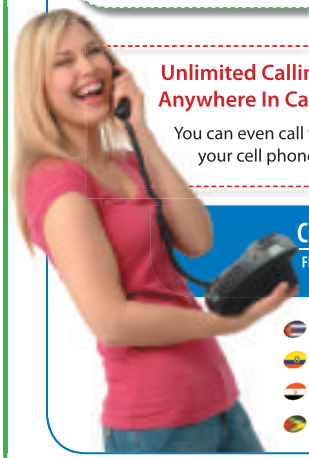

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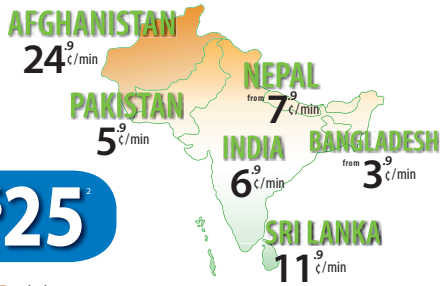

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world

Whether summer brings smog or clear skies, Parisians interested to know the quality of the air they breathe need only look up. A giant helium-filled balloon already floating near the Eiffel Tower will be lit with colours that change from green to red depending on pollution levels. REUTERS

Quake toll may top 50,000

Citizens angry with poor construction of school buildings

China struggled to bury the dead and help tens of thousands of injured, homeless and hungry late yesterday, after Monday's massive earthquake which is expected to have killed more than 50,000.

Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao called on officials to ensure social stability as frustration and exhaustion grew among survivors, many of whom lost everything and are living in makeshift tents or in the open air.

Troops mobilized

» China has mobilized 130,000 army and paramilitary troops to the disaster area, but the quake buckled roads and triggered mountain landslides, meaning that relief supplies and rescuers have struggled to reach the worst-hit areas.

Anger has also focused on the state of school buildings, many of which crumpled, burying hundreds of children, when the quake struck, prompting China's Housing Ministry to order an investigation.

In the village of Houzhuang in the southwestern province of Sichuan, the area worst hit by Monday's 7.9 magnitude quake, residents said they were coping on their own, with aid and troops yet to reach them.

From the heart of the disaster zone, Wen urged rescuers on, but hopes were fading for those still trapped under rubble.

But some expressed frustration at the resources still being devoted to finding survivors among the some 25,000 who remain buried. Officials said another 20,000 have died in the quake. REUTERS

California court OK's gay marriage

Decision overturns ban on same-sex unions in the state

The California Supreme Court overturned a ban on same-sex marriages yesterday in a major victory for gay rights advocates that will allow homosexual couples to marry in the most populous U.S. state.

4-3 ruling

» The California court's 4-3 decision overturns state laws prohibiting same-sex nuptials and is likely to influence other states expected to rule on gay marriage.

The court found that California laws limiting marriage to heterosexual couples are at odds with rights guaranteed by the state's constitution. Opponents of gay marriage vowed to contest the ruling with a statewide ballot measure for a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriages.

The ruling would allow California to be the second state, after Massachusetts, to allow gay marriage. Connecticut, New Hampshire, New Jersey and Vermont permit same-sex civil unions that grant largely similar rights as those for married couples but lack the full, federal legal protections of marriage.

Californians in 2000 voted to reaffirm a 1977 state law defining marriage as union of a man and woman. But four years later, San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom challenged that law by issuing marriage licenses to gay couples, which led to the court battle decided yesterday by the state Supreme Court. REUTERS

KIMBERLY WHITE/REUTERS

Shelly Bailes, left, and her partner of 34 years, Ellen Pontac, hug after hearing a decision by California's Supreme Court in San Francisco yesterday.

Iran negotiations like 'appeasement': Bush

U.S. President George W. Bush yesterday decried his critics' calls for negotiations with Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad as comparable to the "appeasement" of Adolf Hitler before World War Two.

Bush's comment in a speech to Israel's parliament was widely interpreted as a swipe at Democratic presidential front-runner Barack Obama, who has advocated talks without preconditions with leaders of such hostile nations as Iran and Cuba.

Though Bush did not name names, Obama quickly issued a blistering response accusing the president of launching a "false political attack."

But the White House denied Bush was referring to the Illinois senator when, drawing parallels to the rise of Nazi Germany in the 1930s, he denounced those he said had urged him to talk to "terrorists and radicals." REUTERS

France **Student protest**

ROBERT PRATTA/REUTERS

Students demonstrate with teachers and other public sector workers in Lyon, southeastern France, yesterday to protest job cuts and reforms announced by French President Nicolas Sarkozy's government.

»news In Brief

» **TALKS** Rival Lebanese leaders are scheduled to talks in Qatar today aiming to end a political conflict that pushed the country to the brink of a new civil war. Leaders of the U.S.-backed ruling coalition and the Hezbollah-led opposition will try to forge a deal to end the standoff which has paralysed government for 18 months and left Lebanon without a president since November. An Arab League mediation mission sealed an agreement yesterday which ended fighting between ruling coalition supporters and Hezbollah. REUTERS

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New storm deepens problems in Myanmar

Torrential tropical downpours lashed Myanmar's Irrawaddy delta late yesterday, deepening the misery of an estimated 2.5 million destitute survivors of Cyclone Nargis and further hampering the military government's aid efforts.

Despite the latest storm, which is likely to turn already damaged roads to mud in the swamp-covered region, the former Burma's ruling generals insist their relief operations are running smoothly.

However, they issued an edict in state-run newspapers yesterday saying legal action would be taken against anybody found hoarding or selling relief supplies, amid rumours of local military units expropriating trucks of food, blankets and water.

If emergency supplies do not get through in much greater quantities, foreign governments and aid groups say starvation and disease are very real threats. REUTERS

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Sigurdur Hjartarson, shown here with a stuffed elephant penis, has over 261 exhibits in his Icelandic Phallological Museum, but is missing a human penis. He's not worried though: Four men have promised to donate theirs to him when they die. REUTERS

U.S. can win Iraq war by 2013: McCain

Speech comes as House votes to set withdrawal goal

Republican presidential candidate John McCain said yesterday he believes the Iraq war can be won by 2013, leaving a functioning democracy there and allowing most U.S. troops to come home.

It was the first time the Arizona senator has said when U.S. troops could be withdrawn from Iraq.

His speech came as the House voted to set a goal of withdrawing all troops by the end of next year and defeated legislation to fund the war.

The five-year war is unpopular with the U.S. public and McCain's Democratic rivals for the White House, Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton, have pledged to begin bringing U.S. troops home right away.

McCain has called such promises reckless and agrees with U.S. President George W. Bush that troop levels should be governed by conditions on the ground.

Speaking with reporters after his speech, McCain insisted he was not talking about a timetable for withdrawal, but discussing what he believed would be achieved. REUTERS

symbolic votes

» The two House votes on Iraq were mostly symbolic. The Senate is expected to resurrect war funding next week and Bush is virtually certain to veto any legislation setting troop withdrawal targets that reaches his desk.

Turkey **State visit**

FATIH SARIBAS/REUTERS

Britain's Queen Elizabeth, right, smiles as she watches ice-cream vendors wearing historical Ottoman outfits on a Bosphorus waterfront at a high school in Istanbul yesterday.

Medvedev to maintain nuclear deterrent

President Dmitry Medvedev pledged yesterday to ensure that Russia's nuclear deterrent remained properly funded to ward off threats to national security.

Medvedev made his first domestic trip since taking power last week as Kremlin leader to a top-secret missile base, a visit that underscored the strategic role of nuclear arms in Russia's assertive foreign policy.

« It is obvious that our task in the next few years is … to be ready to withstand the existing threats. »

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev

"It is obvious that our task in the next few years is to ensure strategic missile forces get all the necessary funds to be ready to withstand the existing threats," the president told soldiers and officers over lunch at the camouflaged base in a forest 250 km (155 miles) from Moscow.

Medvedev, a 42-year-old former corporate lawyer, was sworn in last week, pledging to pursue the policies of his predecessor and mentor Vladimir Putin who is now his powerful prime minister. REUTERS

383 illegal immigrants arrested

53 sent to border for deportation as Italy cracks down

Italian police announced yesterday the arrest of hundreds of suspected illegal immigrants in a sign of the determination of Silvio Berlusconi's new right-wing government to clamp down.

Police arrested 383 people including 268 foreigners, with 53 immediately taken to the border for expulsion, in a week-long operation stretching from northern Italy to the Naples area.

Berlusconi swept back to power for a third term as prime minister last week promising to get tough on illegal immigrants, blamed by many for crime. He is readying new laws to screen immigrants and jail or expel those breaking the law.

Those arrested came from Eastern Europe, Albania, Greece, North Africa and China and face charges ranging from illegal entry into Italy to prostitution, drug trafficking and robbery.

In Libya, police have arrested 240 would-be illegal migrants from African countries over the past four days as they prepared to sail to Italy, the Interior Ministry said. Libya is a springboard for hundreds of thousands of Africans trying to reach Europe via Italy aboard unseaworthy boats. REUTERS

no targets

» The policeman in charge of the Italian operation, Francesco Gratteri, told reporters the sweep "wasn't aimed at any specific category or ethnic group."

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» **SUDAN** Thousands of civilians fled clashes between Sudan's former north-south civil war foes in the oil-rich central town of Abyei yesterday before a ceasefire was agreed, officials said.

» **POLITICS** Zimbabwe's main opposition party yesterday rejected a delay in a run-off election which could unseat President Robert Mugabe, and called for an urgent meeting of countries in the region to avoid "rivers of dead people."

» **MESSAGE** An impending message from al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden was announced on Islamist websites and discusses the 60th anniversary of the state of Israel, U.S.-based terrorism monitors said yesterday. REUTERS

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CAW reaches deals with GM, Chrysler

Buyouts for GM's Windsor workers part of agreement

The Canadian Auto Workers union reached tentative contracts with General Motors and Chrysler LLC yesterday, wrapping up a lightning round of talks with Detroit automakers intended to protect workers from an even deeper downturn in the industry.

With five months remaining on the current contracts, the deals marked the earliest agreements ever negotiated by the Canadian union, which rushed to clinch deals with two of the Big Three automakers on the same day, a first since its 1985 split from the U.S.-based United Auto Workers.

CAW president Buzz Hargrove said protecting employees in the face of major layoffs was the union's priority in the GM talks. Windsor, Ont. workers, whose plant is closing, will be offered buyouts of up to $125,000. REUTERS

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» **LUMBER** Canada is concerned a plan to tighten rules for U.S.-Canadian lumber trade, included in a giant U.S. bill which looks likely to become law, will pose new problems for its timber industry, the Canadian embassy in Washington said.

» **RETAIL** Sears plans to open its doors to selected customers on Victoria Day in what critics are saying is a violation of the Retail Business Holidays Act.

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Housing sales 15% lower than last year

REPORT Canada's housing market is "coming off the boil" with the average resale home price in Canada registering its first inflation-adjusted quarterly decline in seven years, says a Scotiabank report.

Existing home sales have now fallen for four consecutive months while running at 15 per cent below last year's levels. The cooling is most evident in western cities such as Calgary and Edmonton, as both, says the bank, have "officially moved into buyers' territory." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Retired NBA star Charles Barkley, left, promised yesterday to repay a $400,000 US gambling debt he owes a Las Vegas casino after a prosecutor said Barkley faced criminal charges. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Flyers fend off Penguins

Philadelphia avoids sweep with 4-2 victory

FLYERS 4 PENGUINS 2

Martin Biron made 36 saves to help the Philadelphia Flyers to a 4-2 win over the Pittsburgh Penguins, avoiding elimination in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals last night in Philadelphia.

Joffrey Lupul scored twice while Danny Briere and Jeff Carter each scored for the Flyers, who forced a Game 5, which will take place in Pittsburgh Sunday afternoon. Scott Hartnell had three assists in the game.

"Tonight's win gives us confidence and it's definitely something to build off of," said Philadelphia forward Mike Richards. "Momentum is such a big thing in the playoffs. We will be going to Pittsburgh and maybe we can squeak out a win there."

Jordan Staal scored both goals while Marc-Andre Fleury made 30 saves for the Penguins, who are looking to advance to the Stanley Cup finals for the first time since 1992.

"Every line stepped up and played equally well," said Flyers forward Scottie Upshall. "Our guys that needed to hit went out and hit and we had some big guys stepping up on defence."

BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES

Pittsburgh Penguins Rob Scuderi, right, jostles with Philadelphia Flyers Daniel Briere during Game 4 of last night's NHL Eastern Conference final in Philadelphia. The Flyers won 4-2.

The Flyers came storming out of the gates in the first period and took the play to Pittsburgh.

Philadelphia took a 1-0 lead at the 8:27 mark of the opening frame as Lupul blasted a slapshot from the right circle that tipped off a Penguin stick and sailed over the left shoulder of Fleury.

The Flyers then scored a pair of power-play goals to take a 3-0 lead into the second period.

With Sergei Gonchar in the box, Randy Jones blasted a shot from the high slot that Fleury stopped. However, Briere was behind the defence and swept in the rebound from down low with 8:12 left in the period. Near the end of the frame, R.J. Umberger fired a shot from the right point that was stopped by Fleury. Carter, though, dug out the puck and backhanded it into the net.

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Nonis in high demand among NHL squads

It appears as though **Dave Nonis** will only be out of work for as long as he wants to be.

Nonis has already spoken to the Maple Leafs, Blues and Thrashers about various positions within those organizations, but he would not say which clubs had made concrete offers for his services.

It is believed the Leafs are interested in hiring Nonis to work alongside interim GM **Cliff Fletcher** rather than offering him the actual title of general manager.

St. Louis is said to be looking for a replacement for soon-to-be-retired GM **Larry Pleau** with Nonis and former Stars' GM **Doug Armstrong** the current front-runners for the gig.

And there are still rumours **Don Waddell** would like Nonis in the fold in Atlanta, though it's unclear as to what position he would assume. In speaking with Nonis on the TEAM 1040 yesterday morning, he made it very clear that he is not going to rush to judgment.

The Burnaby native has a family-first approach and is not interested in accepting any job that would force his family to relocate to a city that is undesirable to live in. Based on the amount of attention he has already received, it looks as though Nonis can be somewhat selective as to which franchise he eventually joins.

»The B.C. Lions have formally cut ties with local receiver **Josh Boden**. The 21-year-old was in the process of authoring a story of redemption following a troubled youth, but Boden's uplifting tale was recently derailed when he was charged with domestic assault and theft.

Lions' GM and head coach **Wally Buono** had taken Boden on as a project two years ago after convincing the teenager he had the skills necessary to turn his life around.

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The athletic receiver unexpectedly made the Leos' practice squad after just a single year of junior football, and last year found himself catching passes in CFL games.

Boden's raw ability was so impressive there was even talk of working out for an NFL team. But somewhere along the way, the phenom neglected to fulfil the terms of the deal he had cut with Buono: Keep your nose clean, be a productive member of the community and we'll help you make something of yourself.

Boden recently met with Buono and misled his boss about his involvement in the charges he is currently fighting. That was the last straw for Buono, who believes Boden still has a chance to resurrect his football career, but it won't be here in B.C.

»Want to weigh in? E-mail me at *scott.rintoul@metronews.ca*.

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UFL identifies markets

A planned competitor to the National Football League has identified the eight markets it would like to open with next year, and hopes to unveil some of its West Coast teams in the next month.

The United Football League said in May 2007 it would begin play with eight teams in August 2008. However, it postponed the launch to 2009.

The UFL would be the latest in a series of leagues to compete with the NFL since the 1970s, including the World Football League, the United States Football League and, most recently, the XFL — all of which failed.

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» **HORSE RACING** Eight Belles, the filly who collapsed after the Kentucky Derby and was euthanized, suffered compound fractures of both front legs at the ankles, a necropsy report released yesterday revealed. The necropsy found no pre-existing bone abnormalities, Kentucky's chief veterinarian Lafe Nichols said in a statement.

» **BASEBALL** The Milwaukee Brewers have signed left-fielder Ryan Braun to an eight-year, $45-million US contract, the team said yesterday. Braun hit .324 with 34 home runs last season. REUTERS

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Maria Sharapova, left, will take over as world No. 1 next week after Justine Henin asked to be removed from the rankings following her retirement, the governing body of women's tennis (WTA) said yesterday. REUTERS

New venue, same goal

Canada moves to Quebec City in search of IIHF gold

By **MATTHEW WUEST**
Metro Halifax

MATHIEU BELANGER/REUTERS

Team Canada's Pascal Leclaire splashes his face with water during practice yesterday for the 2008 IIHF World Championships in Quebec City. Canada plays Sweden today.

Canada's pleasure cruise to the semifinals of the world hockey championships has landed in Quebec City.

The dominant squad bid farewell to Halifax immediately following Wednesday's 8-2 thumping of Norway at the Metro Centre, ending a stretch of more than two weeks in the city.

Canada gets a fresh start — not that one is needed — at the Pepsi Colisee as it faces Sweden today at 2 p.m.

"We enjoyed our time in Halifax — the people were great and the fans were great," said Canadian forward Derek Roy, who is coming off a three-goal, one-assist outing. "We've just got to bring this energy and momentum to Quebec."

Canada demolished pretty much every team it faced in Halifax, going on a glorious 7-0 run while outscoring opponents by an average of 6-2 and nearly doubling them in shots.

Sweden has gone 5-2, with losses to Russia and Switzerland. New York Rangers goaltender Henrik Lundqvist is the star of a mostly anonymous team, while NHL rookie-of-the-year candidate Nicklas Backstrom is the team's best-known forward.

Only nine players on the roster played in the NHL last season.

"They look exactly the same as they do in all these world championships," Canadian head coach Ken Hitchcock said. "Quick, great puck movement, great mobility up front, and one of the best goalies in the world. They'll be a handful."

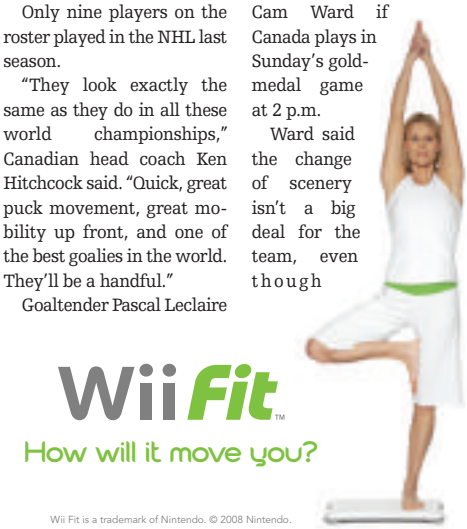
Goaltender Pascal Leclaire will start, but Hitchcock will likely rotate back to Cam Ward if Canada plays in Sunday's gold-medal game at 2 p.m.

Ward said the change of scenery isn't a big deal for the team, even though Sweden is already in a comfort zone. Canada held training camp in Quebec City and played a pair of exhibition games at the Pepsi Colisee before arriving in Halifax.

"It's not going to be too much of a surprise for us," Ward said. "We know the rink and we know the atmosphere. It's been a lot of fun in Halifax for two weeks, but we're excited to see some new opponents and rise to another challenge."

Canada, the defending champion, is hoping to become the first host team in two decades to win a world title.

Russia and Finland face off in the other semifinal at 10 a.m. Both semifinals will be televised live on TSN.



Spurs put boot to Hornets in Game 6

San Antonio forces Game 7 in home-court series

SPURS 99 HORNETS 80

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San Antonio Spurs Tim Duncan, left, takes the ball to the hoop past New Orleans Hornets Tyson Chandler last night. The Spurs won 99-80.

Manu Ginobili's six three-pointers highlighted his game-high 25 points as the San Antonio Spurs forced a deciding Game 7 with a dominant 99-80 victory over the New Orleans Hornets in Game 6 of their Western Conference semifinal series at San Antonio.

Each game in this series has been won by the home team by double-digits, and New Orleans hopes the trend continues when it hosts the defending champions on Monday for the final game of the back-and-forth series.

"At least we have Game 7 at our place on Monday," Hornets' coach Byron Scott said.

Tim Duncan had 20 points, a game-high 15 boards and six assists for San Antonio, which shot 11-of-21 from behind the arc in the win. Tony Parker and Ime Udoka chipped in 15 and 13 points, respectively, for the victors.

Chris Paul had his typical 21-point, eight-assist, six-rebound performance, but the Hornets nailed just 2-of-9 from three-point land and connected on just 41.2 per cent from the floor in the setback.

David West was held to 10 points on 4-of-14 shooting and left early in the fourth quarter after re-injuring his back due to a Robert Horry pick. Tyson Chandler, who came into the game nursing a left foot injury, added 14 points for New Orleans, which is looking to win its first second-round post-season series in franchise history.

Each time the Hornets made it close, though, Ginobili came through with a three-ball. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Big Brown is big Preakness favourite

Kentucky Derby winner seeks to stay unbeaten

The only question surrounding tomorrow's Preakness Stakes appears to be the margin of victory for unbeaten and untested Kentucky Derby champion Big Brown.

With four victories in four starts by a combined 34 lengths, the strapping bay son of Boundary looks to be heading for a Preakness triumph and then a shot at racing's elusive Triple Crown.

Preakness post positions, odds

» Following are the starters for tomorrow's $1-million Preakness Stakes, post position, jockey and morning line odds:
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2) Tres Borrachos, Tyler Baze, 30-1
3) Icabad Crane, Jeremy Rose, 30-1
4) Yankee Bravo, Alex Solis, 15-1
5) Behindatthebar, David Flores, 10-1
6) Racecar Rhapsody, Robby Albarado, 30-1
7) Big Brown, Kent Desormeaux, 1-2
8) Kentucky Bear, Jamie Theriot, 15-1
9) Stevil, John Velazquez, 30-1
10) Riley Tucker, Edgar Prado, 30-1
11) Giant Moon, Ramon Dominguez, 30-1
12) Gayego, Mike Smith, 8-1
13) Hey Byrn, C.C. Lopez, 20-1

"It looks like it's Big Brown's party," Yankee Bravo trainer Paddy Gallagher said of the $1-million Preakness at the Pimlico Race Course. "We're just glad to be a part of it."

Big Brown rolled to an easy 4¾-length victory at the Derby two weeks ago and, out of respect or just common sense, almost all his rivals have decided to skip the Preakness.

Only Arkansas Derby winner Gayego, who finished 17th in the 20-horse race at Churchill Downs, decided to make the trip to Baltimore for the middle jewel of U.S. racing's Triple Crown.

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WESTERN CONFERENCE
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*Game 6 — Monday
Detroit at Dallas, 5
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Dallas at Detroit, 4:30
(Detroit leads series 3-1)
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Cleveland at Boston, 12:30
(Boston leads series 3-2)
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L.A. Lakers at Utah, 7:30
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Prep: 5 min Ready In: 20 min Serves: 18

INGREDIENTS: 1 cup MIRACLE WHIP Dressing + 1 cup KRAFT 100% Parmesan Grated Cheese + 1 can (398 mL) artichoke hearts, drained, coarsely chopped + 2 green onions, chopped.

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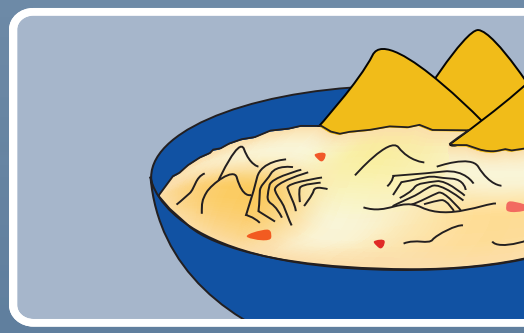

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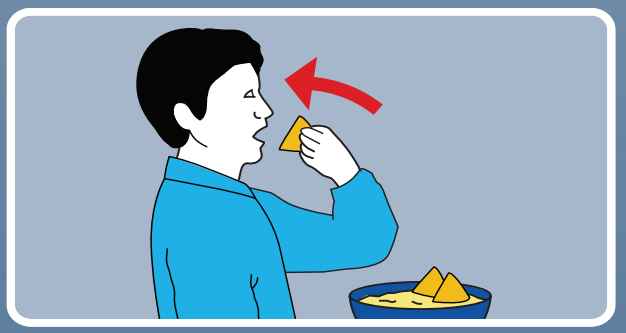

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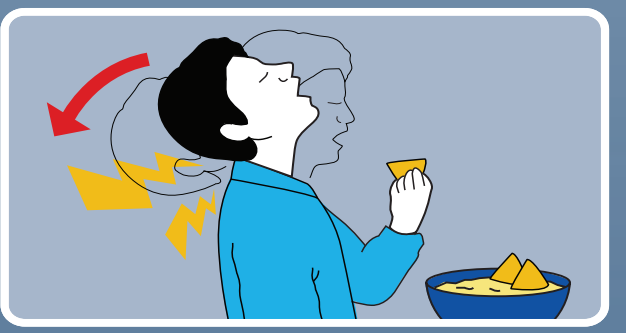

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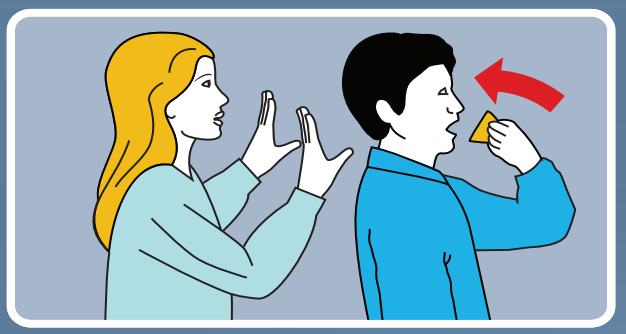

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8 P.M. The 8th Land. At Performance Works, 1218 Cartwright, Granville Island.Tix: $24. Info: *pitheatre.com*. — Sunday

8 P.M. You can't take it With You. At the Pacific Theatre, 1440 W. 12 Ave. Tix: $16-32. Info: *pacifictheatre.org*

8 P.M. Bye Bye Baby. At the Presentation House Theatre, 333 Chesterfield, North Van. Tix: $22/18. Info: *phtheatre.org*

8 P.M. Crimes of the Heart. At the Deep Cove Shaw Theatre, 4360 Gallant Ave., North Van. Tix: Info: *firstimpressionstheatre.com*

8 P.M. The Boys Next Door. At the Langley Playhouse, 4307 200th St., Langley. Tix: $15. Info: *langleyplayers.com*

8 P.M. The Melville Boys. At the Metro Theatre, 1370 S.W. Marine.Tix: $16/13. Info: *metrotheatre.com*

8 P.M. Tuesdays with Morrie. At the Granville Island Stage, 1585 Johnston. Tix: $41/30. Info: *artsclub.com*

SUNDAY

2 P.M. & 8 P.M. The Melville Boys. At the Metro Theatre, 1370 S.W. Marine. Tix: $16/13. Info: metrotheatre.com

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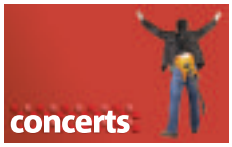

FRIDAY

5:30 P.M. Gigantour. At the Pacific Coliseum, 100 N. Renfrew. Tix: $45.50/35.50. Info: *ticketmaster.ca*

7:30 P.M. Testament. At Richard's on Richards, 1036 Richards St. Tix: $32. Info: *richardson-richards.com*

SATURDAY

7 P.M. Melanie C. At the Plaza Club, 881 Granville St.Tix: $35. Info: *plazaclub.net*

7:30 P.M. Clinic. At Richard's on Richards, 1036 Richards St. Tix: $20. Info: *richardson-richards.com*

7:30 P.M. It All Starts with a Song. At the Rock Beach Recording Studio, 1328 Johnston Rd., White Rock. Tix: $25. Info: *bccountry.com*

9:30 P.M. Jully Black. At the Commodore Ballroom, 868 Granville St. Tix: $22.50. Info: *livenation.com*

SUNDAY

7:30 P.M. Wishbone Ash. At the Yale, 1300 Granville St. Tix: $23. Info: theyale.ca

9 P.M. Dead Meadow. At Richard's on Richards, 1036 Richards St. Tix: $13. Info: *richardson-richards.com*

Jay Brazeau and Josh Epstein in the Arts Club Theatre Company's production of The Producers. The performance starts at 8 p.m. at the Stanley Industrial Alliance Stage, 2750 Granville St. Tix: $33. Info: artsclub.com.

9 P.M. Kaskade. At the Commodore Ballroom, 868 Granville St. Tix: $30. Info: *livenation.com*

10 P.M. Ali Shaheed Muhamad. At Shine, 364 Water. Tix: $10. Info: *spectrum-events.com*

MONDAY

8 P.M. Missy Higgins. At the Commodore Ballroom, 868 Granville St. Tix: $22.50. Info: *livenation.com*

8 P.M. Powerman 5000. At the Plaza Club, 881 Granville St. Tix: $20. Info: *plazaclub.net*

FRIDAY

10 A.M. New Music West Conference Pass. At the Stadium Club at the Edge Water Casino, Plaza of Nations. Tix: $50. Info: *newmusicwest.com*

9:30 P.M. Sakura Party. At Fabric, 66 Water St. Tix: $15/20 Info: 604-683-6695

SATURDAY

9 P.M. Red Passion. At the Canvas Lounge, 99 Powell St. Tix: $20. Info: *canvaslounge.ca*

10 P.M. Martijn Ten Velden. At the Red Room, 398 Richards. Tix: $20. Info: *redroomonrichards.com*

SUNDAY

9 P.M. Petal Pusher. At the Plaza Club, 881 Granville St.Tix: $30. Info: *plazaclub.net*

music

Indie rock sensation Tokyo Police Club, left, plays the second of two local gigs tonight at the Plaza Club.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

dark times

Diamond scores first No. 1 album

Diamond

CHARTS With Home Before Dark, Neil Diamond has landed his first chart-topping album.

The Columbia release, debuting at No. 1 on the Billboard 200, got a big plug when Diamond appeared recently on American Idol, bolstering its 146,000 first-week U.S. sales, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

The Rick Rubin-produced Home is Diamond's biggest debut sales week since SoundScan began tracking in 1991. **REUTERS**

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TOP 10 MOBILE DOWNLOADS

1. Lollipop, Lil Wayne
2. 4 Minutes, Madonna
3. Love In This Club, Usher
4. Bleeding Love, Leona Lewis
5. Low, Flo Rida
6. Touch My Body, Mariah Carey
7. No Air Duet, Jordin Sparks
8. With You, Chris Brown
9. Elevator, Flo Rida
10. Low (T. Barker remix), Flo Rida

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Beirut's travelling sounds

ON THE BEAT

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SAMUEL KIRSZENBAUM PHOTO

Beirut plays a sold-out show at the Commodore Ballroom on May 22.

Most of us head for the beach on holiday.

Beirut's Zach Condon flew to Teotilian De Valle in central Mexico to work with the town's "earnest" 17-piece marching band.

"Sounds are my purpose for travelling," he said. "I'm going to Morocco this summer just to listen. I travel under the pretense of listening, and never go to museums."

Though he didn't belong to any marching bands growing up, Condon, who records intricately arranged Eastern European and mariachi-influenced indie folk as Beirut, said that wasn't for lack of trying.

"I remember finding my way into a jazz band class once, but I couldn't cut it and left," he said. "But (after Beirut's success) doors have opened up, and I'm now in a position I can seek out other people to assist me and my projects. There's so many people willing to do it that it's crazy — I'm used to sitting and making music alone in my bedroom."

Condon's bedroom tinkering resulted in 2006's Gulag Orkestar, which was inspired by the then 19-year-old's trip to Europe with his older brother. Exploring the streets of Paris, the pair became amazed at the sounds of the city, particularly Balkan bands that made Condon's "jaw drop to the floor." Later, his love of France translated into 2007's The Flying Club Cup, an album that develops Condon's interest in diverse musical traditions and includes collaborators like Canadian Owen Pallet — just one benefit of living in the music hub of Williamsburg.

"Brooklyn is kind of a caricature of itself ... (It seems like) everyone is trying to coax you into their studio for a beer," he said, laughing. "I never expected Williamsburg to be like that — I thought that was an uneducated guess, but after moving here, you learn it's kind of true."

Rob McMahon is a freelance writer. A graduate of UBC's Journalism program, he contributes to Metro and other publications. Top music memories include a road trip to Coachella and catching Lollapalooza '95.

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Duffy

Album: Rockferry
Label: A&M/Rough Trade
Release Date: May 13

DUFFY IS THE LATEST in the line of female '60s soul revivalists from the U.K., but Rockferry showcases a fresh mix of that era's more elegant elements. Sweeps of string sections, smooth guitar licks and tambourine shakes complement the arrangements, creating a stark but classic Motown feel with just the right blend of tenderness and drama. The production is thick, but suits a voice that crosses somewhere between Dusty Springfield and Diana Ross, helping these love songs soar away from standard retro ground.

While Duffy may lack the power of classic girl-groups, of all the new blue-eyed soul sirens she may be the leader of the pack.

ROBB MCKAY/FOR METRO VANCOUVER

Death Cab For Cutie

Album: Narrow Stairs
Label: Atlantic Records
Release Date: May 13

DESCRIBED BY LEAD guitarist Chris Walla as "having teeth," Death Cab For Cutie's Narrow Stairs is a departure from the band's usual delicate fare. Though sonically similar to 2005's Plans, Stairs is a vastly darker, yet strangely compelling album bordering on the line of despair.

Comprised of ghostly guitar riffs, distorted vocals, and layers of disorienting feedback, the album's bold new arrangements perfectly complement front man Ben Gibbard's harrowing and intriguingly morose lyrics.

WINFIELD TSAO/FOR METRO VANCOUVER

Neil Diamond

Album: Home Before Dark
Label: Columbia Records
Release Date: May 6

CD REVIEWS

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DIAMOND SOLICITS THE help of Rick Rubin once again, and the producer's touch is evident on the Songwriting Hall of Famer's latest work: Much like the late Johnny Cash's American Recordings series, it opts for a pared-down sound steeped in solitude and introspection. Fearing loneliness at 67, his muse is his girlfriend (If I Don't See You Again). Home Before Dark has great moments (a duet with Dixie Chick Natalie Maines on Another Day That Time Forgot), but can also skirt the maudlin (No Words).

BRIAN TOWIE/FOR METRO VANCOUVER

The Wet Secrets

Album: Rock Fantasy
Label: Rodeo Peanut Records
Release Date: may 13

WHAT THIS EDMONTON band lacks in substance they make up for style and bravado. And really, when you are in a dance rock marching band, what's more important, substance or matching uniforms? A side project of members of Shout Out Out Out Out, the Wet Secrets have a knack for catchy hooks that combine electronica, trumpets and pep rally enthusiasm. The result is a dance party that's a bit tongue in cheek, but hard not to enjoy.

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WARNER MUSIC PHOTO

Death Cab For Cutie's new album Narrow Stairs is now in stores.

Jason Mraz

Album: We Sing, We Dance, We Steal Things.
Label: Atlantic/Warner
Release Date: May 13

WHO ON EARTH advised the Virginia-born, San Diego-based songster to ditch the rap-cum-scat-inspired wordplay pop of his first two discs in favour of more Starbucks-friendly middle-of-the-road smooth jazz-pop? Sure, all the squeaky-clean arranged horn, string and choir backdrops sound pleasant enough. But Mraz sounds far less inspired to go the all-the-lyrics-you-can-fit stylings of, say, The Dynamo Of Volition and more interested in pursuing safer, inoffensive fare threaten to place him on par as a new-generation — perhaps even lighter —Phil Collins or, in the case of Only Human, George Michael. Don't make us add more "zzzzs" to your name, please?

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metro movies

A worthy followup

The Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian

Stars Ben Barnes, Georgie Henley
Director Andrew Adamson
PG

By **CHRIS ATCHISON**
for Metro Vancouver

Ben Barnes stars in The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian.

REVIEW IT'S NO SECRET that special effects advances in the past 15 years have dramatically changed the movie-going experience.

Nowhere is this more noticeable than in the science fiction and fantasy genres where scenes that at one time would have been impossible to shoot are now realized with seeming ease using sophisticated computer-generated imagery.

The Chronicles Of Narnia films are a perfect example of these advancements put to good use, the latest installment of which — Prince Caspian — proves once again that filmmakers are treating fantasy novels with loving respect when it comes time to adapt them for the big screen.

The second film in the series — based on the second of author C.S. Lewis' Narnia books — sees Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy transported from Second World War London to Narnia through a subway station.

One year has passed in Earth time since their last adventure, translating to about 1,300 Narnian years. Much has changed in the mystical world as the talking animals and creatures that once dominated the landscape have long since faded into folklore.

Now the Telmarines, a race of humans, control the land.

A cast of characters including the Black Dwarf Nikabrik (Warwick Davis), the cynical dwarf Trumpkin (Peter Dinklage) and a swashbuckling mouse named Reepicheep (Eddie Izzard) help the four Pevensie kids restore Narnia to its former glory.

Oscar-nominated director Andrew Adamson (Shrek, Shrek 2) does a fine job bringing Lewis' story to life with a blend of old-fashioned sword fights and dazzling special effects — the climactic final battle is spectacular and well worth the wait.

His screenplay, co-written with Christopher Markus and Stephen McFeely, is a satisfying continuation from where The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe left off, all the while incorporating theatrical scenes that only build on Lewis' brilliantly-detailed story.

It should be noted, however, that seeing The Lion, The Witch And The Wardrobe is important for those who actually want to follow the storyline.

It's not impossible to pick up on the action, but it will only enhance the viewing experience for fans in yet another well-casted, well-written entry into what will surely be a long-running Narnia series.

Spurlock strikes again

Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden?

Director Morgan Spurloc
PG

By **STEVE GOW**
for Metro Vancouver

Morgan Spurlock joins the hunt for America's Most Wanted.

REVIEW BY FEASTING on fatty foods for his hit documentary Super Size Me, Morgan Spurlock wrestled with one of the world's biggest corporate fast-food giants. Now, with Where in the World is Osama bin Laden?, Spurlock is upsizing his canvass to take on another international brand name — al Qaeda.

As he did with Super Size Me, Spurlock takes center stage, exposing himself first-hand to the Muslim world in search of al Qaeda's lead conductor.

Why, you ask? Well, as in all big summer action flicks, it always comes down to "one lonely man" to catch the bad dude.

Of course, that's only the MacGuffin. In reality, Spurlock goes to shed light on the cultural misconceptions between the Middle East and America.

At this, he does make a few discoveries but mainly, we just learn that both Starbuck's and pro wrestling are popular the world over.

Unlike his confrontational counterpart Michael Moore (Sicko), Spurlock's approach works best because he genuinely seems earnest, interested and looking for a laugh. There's surely no denying Spurlock's charm and he keeps things moving using various animated devices (like Osama dancing to M.C. Hammer's "You Can't Touch This" for instance).

However, the problem here is that the movie pretty much exposes what most folks likely already know — that America is suffering a terrible PR problem in the Middle East.

After spending a week in Egypt, Spurlock is surprised to find that America's image is damaged. Hell, I could've told him that before he jumped on the plane.

In the end, you may not find yourself enlightened, but then again, maybe you will. A lot of people were shocked to find out eating nothing but cheeseburgers is bad for you too.

Quote OF THE WEEK

"It's flattering that anybody still cares about these characters. But it's like an amoeba — ever-growing and out of control."

— Sarah Jessica Parker to ew.com on the upcoming Sex And The City: The Movie

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Rambow a charming tale

Son Of Rambow
Stars Neil Dudgeon, Bill Milner
Director Garth Jennings
PG

By **RICK McGINNIS**
for Metro Vancouver

REVIEW WHAT WITH THE wild transitions between terror and wonder that fill our childhoods, it's a wonder that more people haven't gone mad before they turn 12, but it does go a long toward explaining teenagers. Garth Jennings' Son Of Rambow is the first film in years to capture that feeling of giddy dread without being either morbid or mawkish, at least in its first half hour.

Lee Carter plays the school's troubled child in Son Of Rambow.

Will Proudfoot (Bill Milner) is an undersized misfit who lives mostly in his own imagination, a place he obviously finds preferable to either his school or home, where his single mother is trying to raise her family within the strict prohibitions of the Plymouth Brethren, a Puritan sect that lives with one foot in the 16th century. Killing time in a school hallway one day after being excused from watching an educational program — TV is forbidden by the Brethren — he ends up being targeted by Lee Carter (Will Poulter), the school's troubled child and lower form bully.

The relationship of victim and victimizer ends up being turned on its head, however, by Will's unbelievably sweet nature, and Lee's loneliness, and the two boys end up becoming friends when Lee asks Will to help him make a movie he wants to enter into a contest.

When Will's fertile imagination is catalyzed by an accidental viewing of Rambo: First Blood, Lee's previously shapeless collection of stunts develops a plot, and the rest of the school ends up working as cast and crew after Will and Lee are noticed by the French exchange student who's become the apotheosis of cool for the school.

Jennings' depictions of school life are both brutal and surreal, and his evocation of the gaudy, tacky '80s kicks into delirious overdrive with a scene in the upper form common room. Milner and Poulter give startling performances as the misfit buddies, and if the film slides into sentimentality at the end, it's only a minor flaw in an otherwise charming tale.

Director of Juno comes up for Air

OSCAR-NOMINATED Juno director Jason Reitman is turning the corporate satire Up In The Air into a movie.

He is attached to adapt the novel by Thumbsucker author Walter Kirn, but has yet to announce his third directing job after Thank You For Smoking and Juno.

Published in 2002, Up In The Air is a satire of corporate culture, centring on a management consultant who engages in career transition counseling, a euphemism for firing people.

The man's ultimate goal is to accumulate 1 million frequent flier miles while trying to get a plum job at a mysterious management company called MythTech.

The Montecito Picture Co., the production company run by Reitman's father, Ivan Reitman, owns the rights to the book.

REUTERS

Indy returns after 19 years

Solid story the impetus, co-star Allen says

By **CHRIS ATCHISON**
for Metro Vancouver

FEATURE IT TOOK nearly two decades, but swashbuckling archaeologist Indiana Jones is finally back with bullwhip and fedora in-hand, ready to blast his way back into movie theatres.

The 19-year delay in returning the iconic adventurer to the big screen in the series' fourth installment, Indiana Jones And The Kingdom Of The Crystal Skull, has occupied fans of the series who have spent years begging for Indy's return.

His delay, it seems, was due in large part to quality control concerns on the part of his creators.

Producer George Lucas and director Steven Spielberg originally envisioned a trilogy which they completed in 1989 with Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade, according to Raiders Of The Lost Ark star Karen Allen (Animal House, Starman).

But when she got the call to reprise her role as the strong-willed Marion Ravenwood in Kingdom Of The Crystal Skull, Allen learned that a solid story idea, not a lack of will, had been stopping Lucas and Spielberg from bringing Indy to life once again.

"I think the real problem, as I know from conversations with George and Steven, is that they didn't see a point in doing one unless they could come up with a story that was really going to be great and worthy of continuing," Allen recalls.

This installment of the series pits Dr. Jones against evil agents of the Soviet Union led by the villainous Irina Spalko (Oscar-winner Cate Blanchett) and includes a new sidekick, Mutt Williams (Transformers' Shia LaBeouf), who helps the adventurer in his quest to find the highly-coveted crystal skull.

GETTY IMAGES

Karen Allen reprises her role as Marion Ravenwood in the newest Indiana Jones movie.

While the film is probably the most hyped of this summer's blockbusters — and perhaps the most highly-anticipated movie in years — the 56-year-old Allen admits that when shooting began on Raiders Of The Lost Ark, she had no idea she was part of what would eventually become a cultural phenomenon.

"I had never seen those Saturday afternoon serials and I thought we were making Casablanca," Allen says of the short films upon which the Indiana Jones series was originally based. "I was too young an actor and had no sense of the experience of a blockbuster type of film."

But the question looms, why, after such a long hiatus, was Indiana Jones worth revisiting?

"I think it comes down to good storytelling," Allen explains. "(The stories are) mythic, there's suspense, there's humour and at the centre of the whole thing there's Harrison playing Indiana Jones who is a real, iconic hero.

"As George Lucas says, he's like you and me. He's not a superhero, he's a human hero. He has all kinds of foibles, all kinds of flaws. He can laugh at himself and make us laugh with him and I think there's something unique about that."

Indiana Jones And The Kingdom Of The Crystal Skull opens Thursday.

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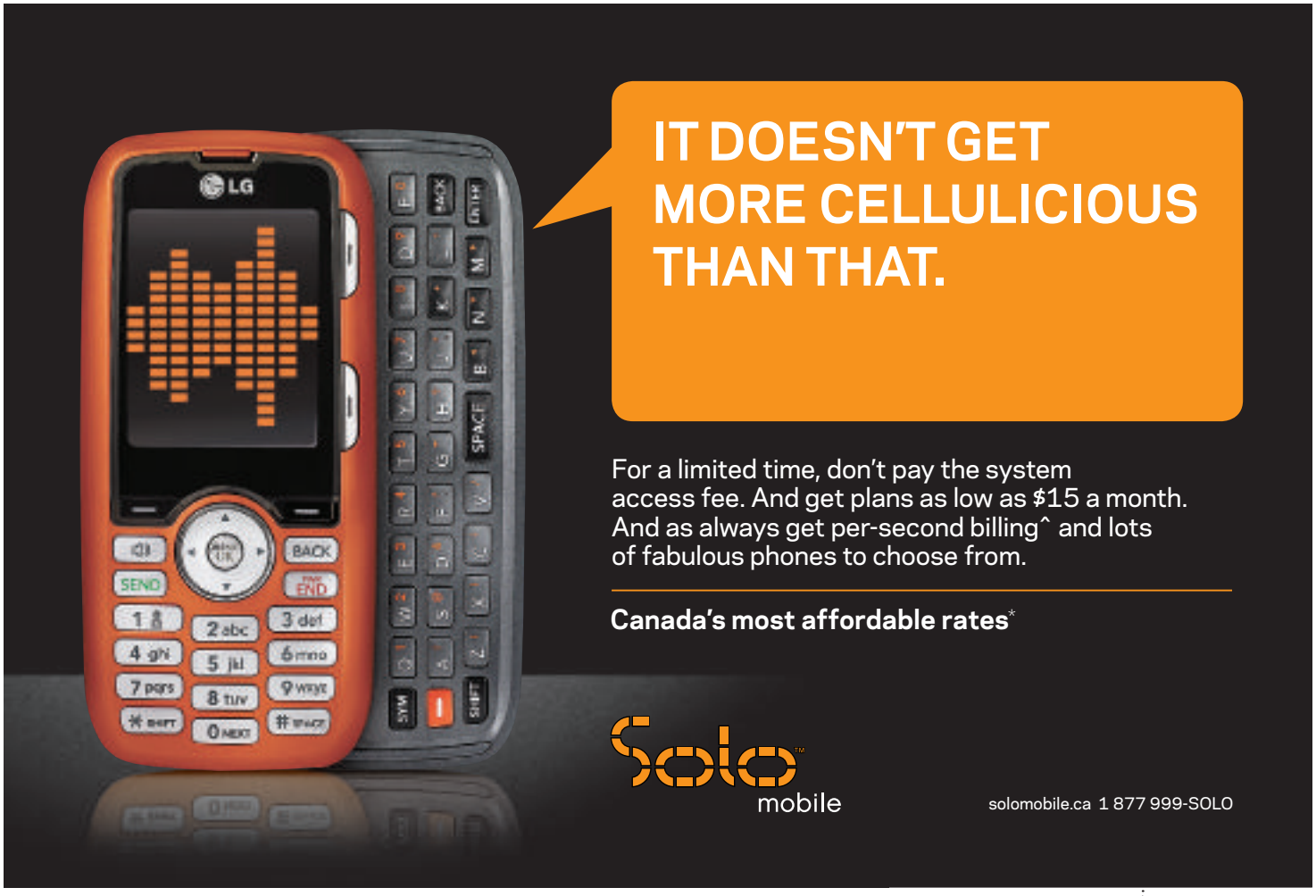
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Flimsy narrative set in beauty

My Blueberry Nights
Stars Jude Law, Norah Jones
Director Kar Wai Wong
PG

By **ADAM NAYMAN**
for Metro Vancouver

REVIEW **MY BLUEBERRY NIGHTS** is the first film that Kar Wai Wong has made in English and, based on the disappointed responses of most critics, it figures to be his last.

Make no mistake, only a supremely gifted filmmaker (working in collaboration with a marvellous cinematographer, Darius Kohndji) could conjure a film so frequently and stunningly beautiful. It's not just that the people and places in My Blueberry Nights are pretty (although Norah Jones, Jude Law, Natalie Portman and Rachel Weisz surely constitute a traffic-stopping assemblage): Wong's typically impressionistic compositions — blurred still lifes and restless neon flashes — have their own star presence.

What people have taken issue with is what's happening inside the frames, and it's true that the narrative — a cross-country odyssey framed by vignettes in New York City — is on the flimsy side and the dialogue is no less florid than it is in Wong's Chinese language.

But even if this is the case, My Blueberry Nights isn't anything to apologize for — all missteps should be this graceful.

Singer Norah Jones plays a wandering waitress in My Blueberry Nights.

Rob Corddry has been cast as the lead in the new film Project A, about a man the U.S. government has engineered to be the biggest jerk in the world. EW.COM

Next up: Most wanted man

Spurlock follows up McDonald's with Osama Bin Laden

By **CHRIS ATCHISON**
for Metro Vancouver

FEATURE **IN APRIL 2004**, few had heard of writer-producer-director Morgan Spurlock, whose credits to that point included just a handful of plays and a gross-out show for MTV called I Bet You Will.

One month later his documentary Super Size Me was released, chronicling the one month Spurlock spent on a steady diet of McDonald's — three Mcmeals a day, no exceptions, resulting in an extra 24 pounds tacked onto his normally lean frame.

He quickly graduated from the ranks of small-time filmmaker to that of giant killer as audiences flocked to theatres to take in his message about the potential dangers of a fast food lifestyle.

McDonald's immediately began trying to discredit the film, but that publicity only fuelled Super Size Me's blazing box office figures which eventually topped $20 million worldwide, according to the ticket sale aggregator Boxofficemojo.com.

The film was nominated that year for the Academy Award for best documentary, but ultimately lost to Ross Kauffman and Zana Briski's Born Into Brothels.

Then in 2006, Spurlock decided to embark on yet another extreme filmmaking mission. This time around instead of taking on fast food giants, he would take on public enemy number one — terrorist leader and 9/11 mastermind Osama Bin Laden — or at least try to find him in the new documentary Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden?

Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden director Morgan Spurlock.

The five month shoot took Spurlock to a variety of Middle Eastern locales ranging from Afghanistan's dangerous Tora Bora region, to the relatively peaceful neighbourhoods of Jerusalem in a pursuit of Al Qaeda's number one man — assuming he was still alive and at large.

But in the midst of the project, Spurlock learned he and his wife were due to have a baby, complicating his globetrotting plans.

"Once I found out Alex and I were having a baby, the focus shifted to the kind of world I was bringing a kid into," Spurlock explains.

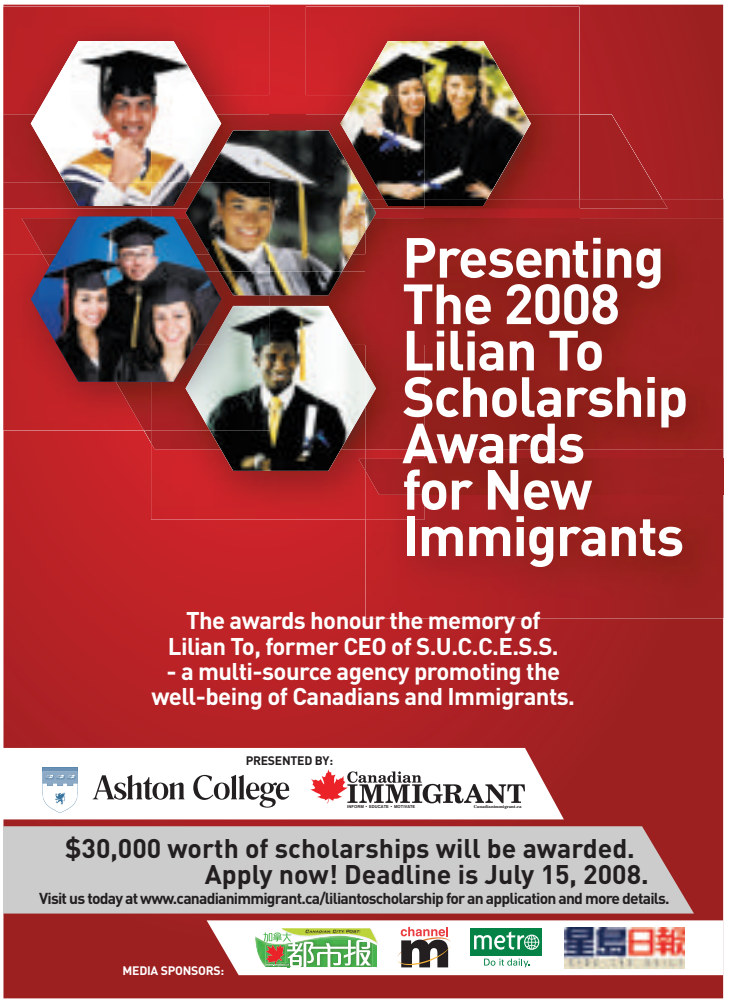
"We started adding to our list of terrorist experts, terrorists themselves and extremists, people with kids and families. I wanted to meet people like that who were what I was going to be. I'm going to be a father, give me some advice. What's it like being a dad? I wanted to try to connect with people on a level that's much different than a political view."

Spurlock says the documentary was intended less as a statement about the war on terror, U.S. foreign policy and the cross-cultural similarities which exist but regularly elude us, than it was as a primer for a greater conversation about those issues and their impact on the world today.

"One of the things I wanted the film to accomplish was to go beyond two-minute sound bites in the news," he says.

"I think the film paints a much larger picture of the state of the world, at least in the Middle East. Another thing I think the movie does really well is it starts to show the diversity of Islam ... there's a big range (of cultures in the Muslim world) and you see that in this movie."

Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden opens today.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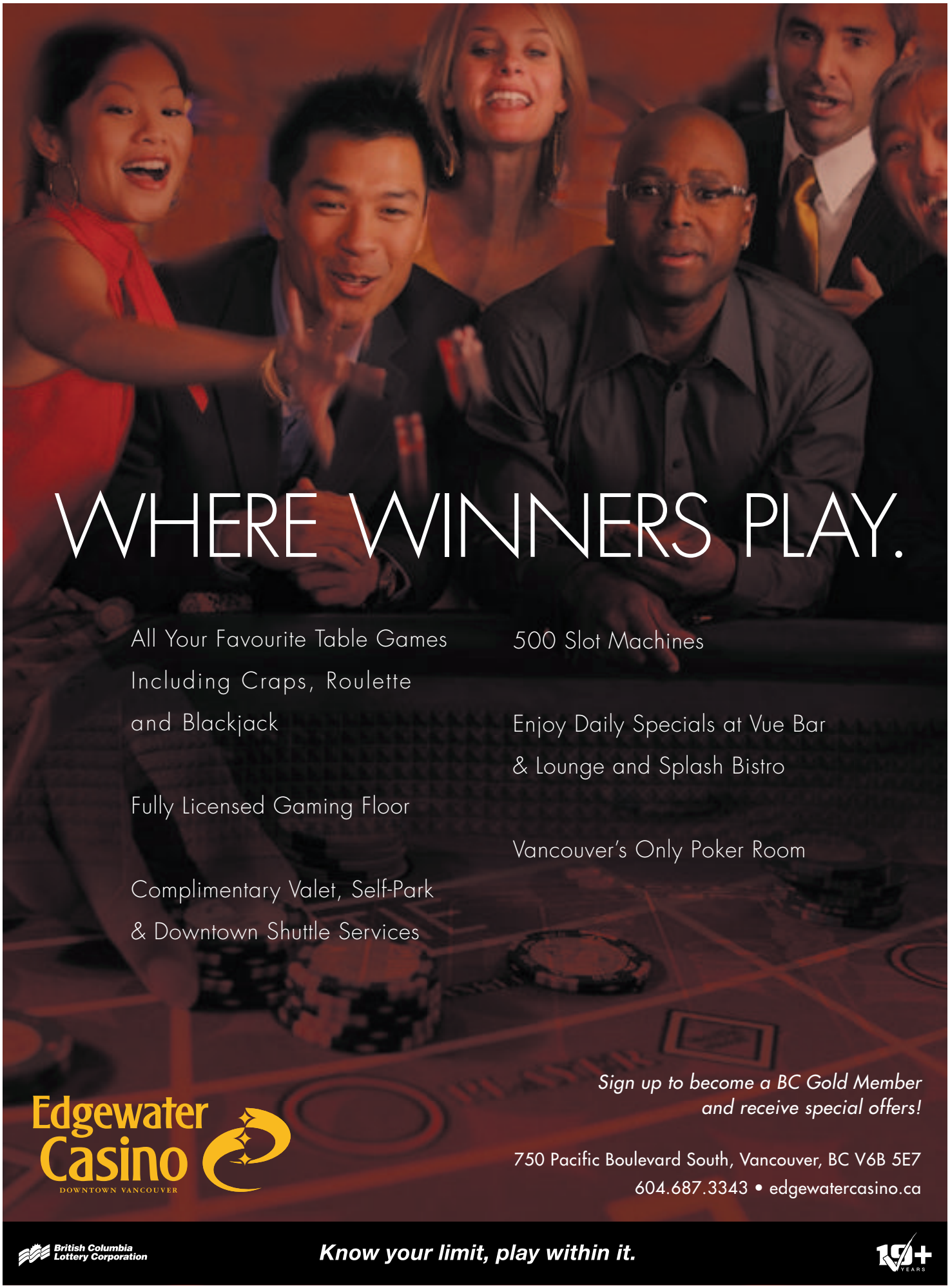
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Two-time Academy Award winner Daniel Day-Lewis may soon settle on his next project. The always-in-demand actor, who is known to be very picky with the roles he chooses, is in negotiations to star in Nine for director Rob Marshall (Chicago). EW.COM

Dinklage trumps Trumpkin

Actor felt natural fit with Prince Caspian

By **CHRIS ATCHISON**
for Metro Vancouver

FEATURE LIKE SO MANY people born in the late 1960s, actor Peter Dinklage (The Station Agent) grew up in George Lucas' alternate universe where wookies, jawas, droids and a mysterious power called the Force ruled the day.

He would watch and rewatch the Star Wars movies relentlessly, finding himself transfixed by their otherworldly storylines, conflicted characters and cutting-edge special effects.

It's no surprise, then, that he leapt at the chance to play Trumpkin, a cynical red dwarf, in The Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian, the second film in the Narnia series based on the novels of famed children's fantasy writer C.S. Lewis.

"I grew up on Star Wars and suddenly I'm in one of these movies that's like what I grew up on and it's such a thrill," Dinklage says.

"I love movies about the modern day miseries of living in New York and stuff like that if they're done well, but there's nothing like a matinee fantasy film."

The success and overwhelming number of films or full-blown franchises based on fantasy novels that have been produced in the past decade – Harry Potter, The Lord Of The Rings and The Golden Compass, for example –are proof that movie-going audiences share Dinklage's love of the genre.

The 38-year-old actor considers that perspective a unique one. His stature often leads to his casting as mythical characters in film so by his own assessment, Dinklage knows a worthwhile fantasy film elf or dwarf when he sees one.

He feels the rich characterizations of the Narnia stories have given the books a definitive literary relevance that has maintained their popularity since first being published by Lewis in the 1950s.

"Being four-and-a-half feet tall I've always thought that dwarves and characters like that in fantasy books were really set dressing, were just creatures and didn't have personalities," he says.

"But with these books, all of them, even the talking mouse, are really fully-drawn characters and bring you into that world."

To play Trumpkin, Dinklage drew on the fantasy heroes of his youth and applied elements of their personalities to bring his crusty character to life.

"There's a modern sensibility to Trumpkin, he has a modern wit about him and about his size and, like me, a sense of humour about my size," he says.

"I'm always drawn to the sense of humour in the fantasy world where sword fights are happening all around you, you need that core of cynicism and humour. So I really liked that. I knew I would be that voice of reason in this world of wonderment."

The Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian opens in theatres today.

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Peter Dinklage plays Trumpkin in Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian.

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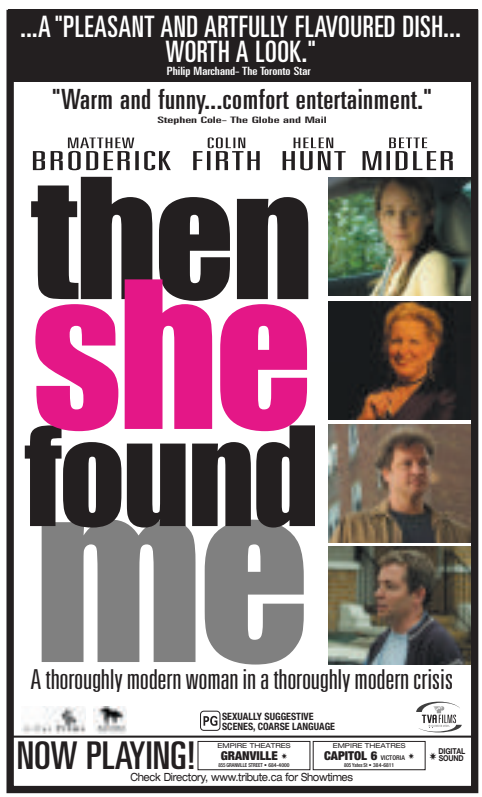
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SPEED RACER: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-10

THE VISITOR (PG) Fri-Wed 12:25-3:25-6:35-9:25

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INDIANA JONES AND THE KINGDOM OF THE CRYSTAL SKULL (PG) Thu 7-9:45

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Beach hair rides the wave

Naturally tousled curls are trend for spring/summer

By **ANN-MARIE COLACINO**
for Metro Vancouver

ACHIEVING BEACH hair without the beach is the latest 'do for spring/summer 2008.

Like maintaining the tan without the sun, the beach wave is all about ease and accessibility. Let's face it, Canadians only have a short window of beach time, but that doesn't mean we can't fake it — and look good doing it!

Jan Vandenbroeck, a senior stylist with Exit Salon in Toronto, agrees. He thinks people have tired of the over-processed straight hairstyles that have gained immense popularity over the last few years.

"I think it's just a logical follow up to the edginess and the straight hair we've been doing. Everyone owns a flat iron these days," says the 20-year veteran, who's worked on celebs like supermodel Petra Nemcova. "I find waves and curls way more flattering around the edges, especially for mature women."

"From shower to style with minimal time," is how hair stylist Leland Olson, who represents Sunsilk, describes this timeless 'do.

He says the wave has evolved from the late '80s, early '90s when crimping was big. Of course, today's style is more modern — still tousled but less messy.

"A lot of hairstyles they come in and they go out and then they get recycled again. And it's really about the timing of the season and who you see wearing the style," he says, adding Lindsay Lohan, Kate Hudson and Beyoncé are all known to sport the beach wave.

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> *Jan Vandenbroeck, senior stylist at Exit Salon*

With summer around the corner, Olson points out that people will appreciate how this style requires little or no processing — an important factor when you consider the drying impact hair already receives from the sun.

Another thing to remember is it's not just for females, he says.

"I think the beach wave can relate to men as well but in a different way — we're seeing shorter but still longer and shaggier. Men are using crème product to accentuate the wave and still give it some style."

So how does one achieve this *en vogue* look?

For naturally curly hair, Olson suggests starting off with a leave-in conditioner or curl/wave-enhancing product. This will add moisture to the hair and avoid frizz. (For extra enhancement, use a moisture or curl/wave-specific shampoo and conditioner beforehand). Next, diffuse the hair using a diffuser attachment on your blow dryer.

For straight, fine hair, Olson suggests using a rollerset, curling iron or braiding method.

When rollersetting or curling the hair, use a thermal protecting lotion on the hair first. (Your shampoo/conditioner option is one with volumizing agents in it). Next, set the iron on a lower heat for loose curls and use a hairspray afterward.

For a more natural styling method, Olson advises blow-drying the hair until it's about 80 per cent dry and then braiding it. Let the hair air dry for one hour and then take the braid out.

SCOTT GRIES/GETTY IMAGES

Actress Kate Hudson sports the stylish yet low maintenance spring/summer 'do — the beach wave.

the products

» 1. LaCoupe Orgnx De/frizz Shampoo and Conditioner, $9.99/300mL (each). Available at Shoppers Drug Mart. Designed to lock in moisture and calm frizz while strengthening dry, lackluster hair. Contains ECO-certified hibiscus and olive oil.

» 2. Waves of Envy Gel & Cream Twist, $4.99. Available at all drug, grocery and mass merchandising stores. Cream conditions waves while the gel provides hold, creating soft, sculpted waves.

» 3. Schwarzkopf Professional ELASTIC flexible hold hairspray, $16.50, 300ml, available at most salons. This spray provides a light, natural hold and UV protection.

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Tyra Banks' Stylista to join Top Model

The CW is going for a full night of Tyra Banks/Ken Mok fashion-themed reality shows with the pickup of Stylista.

The project, described as a reality version of The Devil Wears Prada, centers on 11 aspiring fashion enthusiasts as they vie for a coveted editorial job with Elle magazine.

The project appears Wednesday-bound as a companion piece to Banks and Mok's America's Next Top Model.

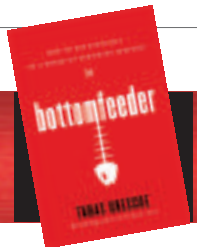
Tyra Banks

Stylista contestants will work as assistants to Elle's fashion news director, Anne Slowey, in each episode carrying out an assistant's task and a fashion editorial assignment.

Each week, in consultation with Elle's creative director, Joe Zee, Slowey will fire one person, until the last assistant standing gets "promoted" to the real-life job.

The grand prize includes a paid editorial position at Elle magazine, a paid lease on an apartment in Manhattan and a clothing allowance at H&M, all for one year, valued at $100,000. REUTERS

food



This Sunday at noon, tune in to CBC Radio Studio One Book Club (on 690 AM) for a live Q & A with author Taras Grescoe, about his new book Bottomfeeder: How To Eat Ethically In A World Of Vanishing Seafood, left.
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By **ANYA LEVYKH**
Urban Foodie

Mysala Foods has long been known as the provider of organic Indian sauces and condiments to retailers like Whole Foods and Choices. Having used their sauces at home, I was eager to check out their new digs. The small, high-ceilinged space has one red wall, huge cushions in the booths and cool weaves on the walls. Thursday sees 1oz cocktails for $4.50 and 2oz for $7. We started with some veggie samosas ($6), which were bite-sized crunchy goodies. The crab cakes ($9.50) were super tasty, with spicy chutney and some wickedly-latticed raw veggies. The tandoori lamb chops I wanted to order were sold out, so I settled for the lamb korma ($15) which comes with your choice of tandoori fries, rice or spicy potatoes. The lamb was overcooked, with a toughness that required thorough chewing, but the fries were good and the chopped mango vinaigrette on my greens was yummy. My friend's butter chicken ($15) was tender and flavourful and some complimentary lamb kebobs were juicy and made up somewhat for the korma. Dessert was a to-die-for chai crème Bombay and a chewy cardamom brownie. This is definitely a good spot for movie night dining.
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Lamb korma with tandoori fries and grilled naan.

Raise your glass and chime 'L'chaim!'

Say bye-bye to the kosher grape juice that made you grimace with its overpowering sweetness. The latest wines coming out of Israel are finally taking advantage of the wonderful growing conditions that the country offers. At the recent Israeli wine festival, one star was the 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon from Galil Mountain Winery. Grown on the heights of the Upper Galilee region, this is a fruit-forward medium body, with hints of herbs, tobacco and raspberries, and a long, light finish.
Available at B.C. Liquor Stores, $17.99.

dining out

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On Sunday, Chef Hidekazu Tojo, owner of Tojo's Restaurant, will present a special eight-course tasting menu at Coast's community table with Coast Chef Josh Wolfe. Tickets (extremely limited) are $100 per person. Call 604-685-5010.

OROFINO AT OCEAN 6 SEVENTEEN John and Virginia Weber of Orofino Vineyards will be presenting a seven-course winemakers dinner with Ocean 6 Seventeen owner Maureen Fleming and EC Corey Hamm on Wednesday. Tickets are $95 each. Call 604-879-6178.

>>food & drink
In Brief

>> **49TH PARALLEL** Coffee Roasters have debuted their exclusive Devon Estate Selection 795 Arabica, famous for being picked, chewed and spat out by monkeys in India. It sells for $25 - 12oz bag.

>> **OPENINGS 2.0** Italian Kitchen is spawning Trattoria Italian Kitchen on West 4 Avenue, while North Van's Burgoo is set to open its second location at Main and 15 Avenue, both within the next month.

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Social Climber

It girls on the scene have a new secret weapon for staying in shape.

By Vanessa Craft
Contributing Writer

What's a busy young socialite to do when the summer party season is just around the corner and her diet of canapés and cocktails has left her a little squidgy around the edges? Those in the know call on health and fitness trainer Alex Reznik, who created The Socialite Workout specifically for high-profile party girls who can't afford to be camera shy.

"A lot of clients were showing up for sessions after a night of partying," says Reznik on his inspiration for the program. "They were clearly in no state to work out properly, but I still had to find a way to keep them in shape." The solution? Toning exercises that can largely be done on the floor.

It takes a careful balance of drill sergeant and gentle guide to successfully manage a savvy socialite's excuses for not working out, but part of Reznik's charm is that he takes it all in stride. "One time, I went to a client's house to train her privately," he remembers. "She opened the door, dressed to the nines, and said she wanted to treat me to breakfast so we could have a get-to-know-you chat. I told her we could get acquainted just as easily while she was on the treadmill."

SCREEN TEST

Not sure if you have sensitive skin? La Roche-Posay's diagnostic tool can tell.

A new device called the SensiTest, developed by La Roche-Posay and available at select Canadian drugstores, can help you determine your skin type and sensitivity — and how you should treat it. The free two-minute test — which involves answering a series of questions on a computer screen — took nearly 10 years to develop. Once you've determined your skin type, the SensiTest recommends a skin-care regimen adapted to your needs.

La Roche-Posay Hydreane Riche Moisturizing Cream for Sensitive Skin ($25.50)

Editors' Pick

SUMMER SKETCHBOOK

In a season of bold textiles, Virginia Johnson's summer collection stands out with its simplicity: Sailboats and dandelions in fuchsia, teal and yellow decorate cotton-voile caftans and sundresses. "Prairie" evokes a dust storm, while "Chevrons" is a tribal motif recalling the African mudcloths that Johnson loves to collect (*www.virginiajohnson.com*).

ART CLASS

Play with painterly prints.

Nylon and spandex maillot ($55, Speedo)

Resin bracelets ($15 each, Lavishy)

Strapless cotton maxidress ($175, The Bay)

Cotton ballet flats ($45, Shellys)

STUDIO ANDRÉ DOYON

BETTER THAN HOMEMADE

Like the perfect flea-market find, a resin breastplate necklace by Mary Design takes its cue from Arts and Crafts style: It's decorated with random heirloom-type buttons and stones ($65, 1-888-387-6620).

Autobiography of a Wardrobe (Pantheon) by Elizabeth Kendall

BOOKS: CLOSET CASES

Imagine if the chartreuse silk blouse or velvet harem pants that glint reproachfully from the back of your closet had feelings or (gasp) memories of what transpired the last time you deigned to wear them. That is the premise behind **Autobiography of a Wardrobe** (Pantheon) by **Elizabeth Kendall**. The author, whose previous books include The Runaway Bride, has used this unusual device to write an anecdotal history of fashion trends and disasters, from her vile summer-camp shorts to bold Marimekko prints to a ruched lime-green camisole. If nothing else, it will make you clean out your closet. SANDRA MARTIN

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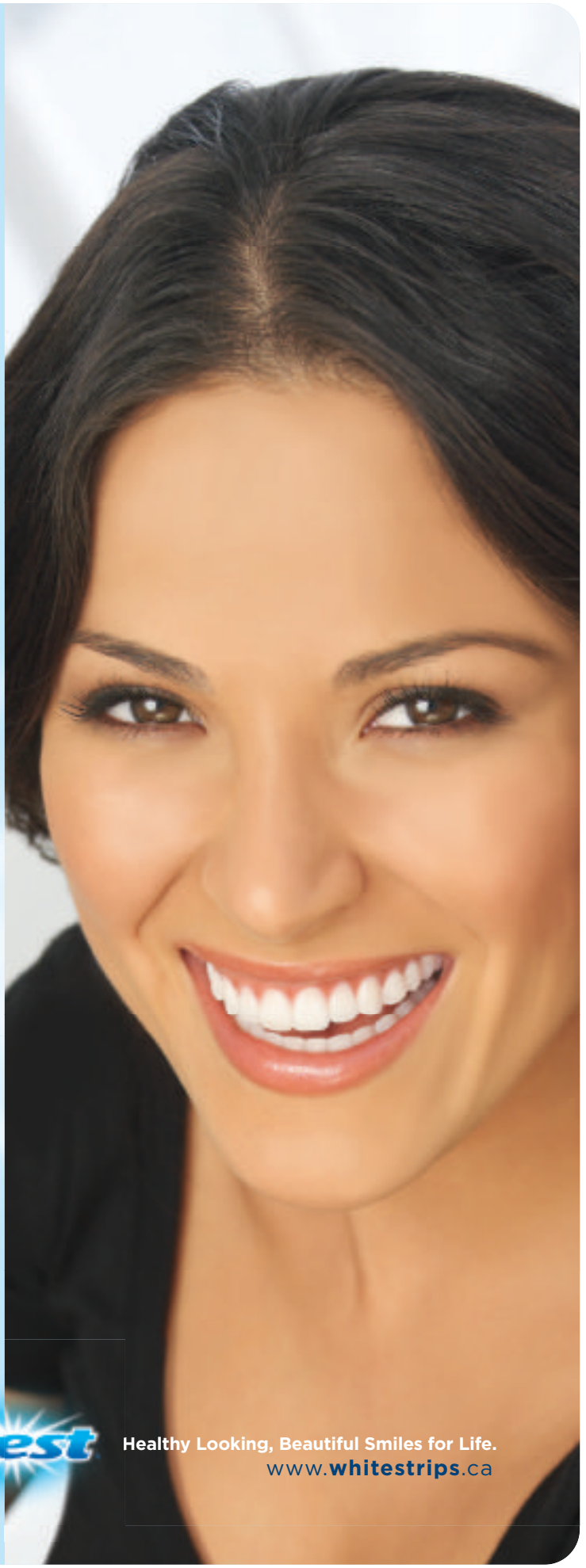

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tv watch

The Leo Kesting Gallery in Manhattan has unveiled a life-sized monument featuring "puppy versions" of Oprah Winfrey's, left, cocker spaniel, Sophie, and golden Labrador retriever, Gracie — atop the talk-show icon's head. WSOCTV.COM

Bachelorette back for more

New season sees return of DeAnna

By **SANDY CAETANO**
for Metro Vancouver

Profile DEANNA PAPAS had her heart broken last November when she was dumped by the then Bachelor Brad Womack — but it's her turn now to hand out the roses as this season's new Bachelorette.

It was the first time in Bachelor history that neither of the final two women were given a rose or a ring. Since then, Papas admits she's been out on one date, which went nowhere fast.

"I was on one date since Brad. One date, and it obviously did not go very well," Papas said from New York during a press call. "It was a friend of mine, and we just went to dinner and I realized that he's just a friend."

Even though Womack decided he didn't want to continue a relationship with either Papas or Jenni Croft, a 27-year-old Phoenix Suns cheerleader from Wichita, Kan., Papas says she's happy he made the decision he did.

"I was really confused when it happened but after it was all over ... I was actually very happy that Brad ... didn't propose to someone just because he was under pressure," she says. "I'm thankful that he didn't propose to me, everything happens for a reason and I'm where I am today because of all of it, and I'm very happy for that."

After her heartbreak on The Bachelor, ABC selected Papas as their newest Bachelorette. This fourth installment of the romantic reality series, premiering on ABC Monday at 9 p.m. ET and on Citytv Thursday at 9 p.m ET, will follow the 25-year-old realtor from Newnan, GA as she tries her shot at love, hoping to find someone she can settle down with.

With 25 men for her to choose from, all of which have the characteristics she's looking for in a life partner, Papas says it was a great journey and one she doesn't regret. So what is this single lady looking for in a mate? "I cannot date someone who smokes, that is a definite no-no. If he's wishy-washy and doesn't know what he wants that's another no-no. Anything else I'm pretty open to," says Papas.

the suitors

- Brian W., 31, high school football coach
- Brian W., 29, computer network consultant
- Chandler, 25, insurance representative
- Chris, 29, medical sales
- Donato, 26, sales representative
- Eric, 31, senior analyst
- Fred, 30, lawyer
- Graham, 29, professional basketball player
- Greg, 28, personal trainer
- Jeffrey, 27, math teacher
- Jeremy, 30, real estate attorney
- Jesse, 25, professional snowboarder
- Jason, 31, account executive
- Jon, 35, resort manager
- Luke, 27, oyster farmer
- Patrick C., 26, financial analyst
- Patrick D., 27, internet marketer
- Paul, 23, sales manager
- Richard, 27, science teacher
- Robert, 28, chef
- Ron, 36, barber shop owner
- Ryan, 28, professional football player
- Sean, 33, martial arts master
- Spero, 38, actor
- Twilley, 33, programmer

> *« If he's wishy-washy and doesn't know what he wants that's another no-no. »*
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> *DeAnna Papas, on what she wants in a guy*

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DeAnna Papas is this season's new Bachelorette.

Ex-Idol hopeful has lots up her sleeve

Mercado says she has many goals to accomplish

By **SANDY CAETANO**
for Metro Vancouver

Profile MAKING IT to the Top 3 on American Idol is a big accomplishment for many competitors, and for Syesha Mercado it's only the beginning.

Mercado was eliminated during this week's results show, leaving David Cook and David Archuleta moving on to the finals. Throughout the show viewers have watched her grow both as an artist and a young lady, thanks to the advice given to her by the judges and mentors who appeared on the show to coach the competitors.

Now, Mercado is ready to take on the world and make it her stage.

"Well, as I tell people, I want to do everything, and I'm really goal oriented, so I know that whatever goal I set, it can be accomplished whether its within a year's span or 10 years," says Mercado during a media conference call.

"I want to make an album, I want to star in a film, I want to do Broadway, I want to open up an organic restaurant ... it just depends on what comes first," she continued. "I have goals I want to do and I write them down ... whatever opportunity comes first and what's the best career move for me is pretty much what's going to happen."

The 21-year-old aspiring singer from Sarasota, FL also has marriage in her future, but wedding plans are on hold until she gets her career on track. Mercado says she's the type of person who lives in the now, and at the moment there's no big rush to say "I do."

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Former American Idol contestant Syesha Mercado says she wants to do everything, and will.

"(My fiancé) is so supportive and we both have a mutual understanding about everything, so when the time is right we'll do it, but right now we're focused on the careers," says Mercado.

The former Top 3 finalist describes herself as a mix of many things. In terms of the album she plans on putting together, Mercado is interested in pop, R&B and even old school musicals. But that's not all.

"I'm just like a black Christina Aguilera (and) Alicia Keys. I can definitely see myself putting together a Christina Aguilera album like the one she just recently did and an Alicia Keys album," she says. "I'm growing as an artist, I'm evolving ... you'll know who I am once I put out that album."

»news In Brief

- **LINEUP** CBS unveiled three new dramas and two comedies for its fall prime-time lineup Wednesday, with executives promising more laughs and female faces from a network known for its popular crime dramas. Executives have picked up dramas The Mentalist, Eleventh Hour and The Ex List, as well as a pair of sitcoms — Worst Week and Project Gary — that give the network a comedy bloc for two nights a week.
- **GAY-FRIENDLY** NBC Universal's Bravo emerged as the most "gay-friendly" company, according to a survey from Prime Access and PlanetOut. Four of the five top-ranked brands were from the media and technology sectors. Following Bravo were Apple, Showtime and HBO.
- **AXED** CBS' vampire drama Moonlight will not rise again. Sources confirmed that the fan favourite will not be renewed by the network for a second season. The news is sure to devastate Moonlight fans, who, by any standard, have been passionate about the show. REUTERS

Fox's comedies falling flat

FOX ON THE RUN: "It used to be that Fox could always be counted on to make something genuinely funny," wrote Tim Goodman in the San Francisco Chronicle this week, surveying the wreckage at the end of this year's TV season, "a sitcom that was fearless in execution, wicked and original. But those days appear long gone," he laments, noting that Fox was, at least in 2007-2008, trying to be "CBS Lite" with shows like 'Til Death and Back To You — three-camera laugh track sitcoms featuring stars from recent hits that did little to push the envelope or appeal to young viewers.

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This sort of advice to innovate would be fine a world where Two And A Half Men isn't the biggest comedy in primetime and According To Jim didn't get renewed year after year in spite of the fact that we're hard pressed to name a single person who watches it. Jim fans are, as far as we can tell, like the Nixon voters who gave him a landslide victory in 1972 despite the fact that people like New Yorker film critic Pauline Kael didn't know anyone who cast their ballot for him. We suspect that, like Kael's Nixon voters, Jim watchers are out there, right next to us, and we don't know they're their because their vote, like their choice of show, is their little secret, and they know how we'll react anyway.

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With the cancelation last week of Back To You, it looks like Fox might be pulling back from the middle-of-the-road comedy, but star Kelsey Grammar obviously didn't want to say goodbye so quickly, and a story on Reuters has him personally lobbying CBS and its chief exec, Les Moonves, to get the network to take on the show that, according to Tim Goodman, was a better fit there.

Moonves told Grammar on Monday that they were "thinking about it," but by Tuesday it looked like they'd had their think when Grammar talked to CBS' head of entertainment, Nina Tassler. "She dismissed it," Grammar recalled, which means that the star, and 20th Century Fox Television, the show's producer, will have to shop the show around to the remaining networks, though Grammar admitted that he's heard little from the studio.

"I really believe in the show," Grammar said. "If I didn't I wouldn't have tried to fight for it."

more Idol

» The sixth season of Canadian Idol will premiere on CTV on June 3, CTV has announced.

CBS offered a glimpse of its new shows on Wednesday with a compilation reel of a half a dozen new titles on the TV Week web site, but it was hard to get really excited about most of what we saw. 11th Hour, The Mentalist and Harper's Island are dramas with more than a little bit of Lost, The Medium and any number of police procedurals in their DNA, and the comedies looked even less promising, from The Ex-List and Worst Week to Project Gary, a three-camera sitcom marked by more-than-usually strident performances.

Looking over the horizon at fall's new season, I've got to say that I have a bad feeling about this.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

FRIDAY 5/16/08

	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3	22 Minutes	Just-Gags	Laughs	Comedy Fest.	Avril Lavigne: Exclusive		CBC News: The National (N)		(:05) The Hour
	255	358	6	E News	The Insider	Extreme Makeover: Home		John Stamos: True Story		20/20 (CC)		News (N)
	250	321	9	eTalk (CC)	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Moonlight "Sonata" (CC)		Comedy Inc.	Comedy Inc.	News (N)
	252	336	11	Entertainment	ET Canada	Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat ★★ (2003) Mike Myers. (CC)				NUMB3RS (Season Finale) (N)		News (N)
	256	389	12	Degrassi	Friends (CC)	America's Funniest Home Videos Three finalists compete.				Jeff Ltd.	Grand Star	News (N)
	253	359	13	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	American Gladiators (CC)				Reaper "The Leak" (N) (CC)		Reviews
	-	-	44	'70s Show	'70s Show	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (CC)				Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer (CC)		Moonlight "Sonata" (CC)		NUMB3RS (Season Finale) (N)		News (N)
	287	379	16	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	American Gladiators (CC)				Dateline NBC (CC)		News (N)
	288	380	21	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	America's Funniest Home Videos Three finalists compete.				20/20 (CC)		News (N)
	290	382	23	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story ★★★ (2004, Comedy)				News (N)	IQ Weekly	Family Guy
family sports news	502	390	63	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		CBC News: The National		CBC News: the fifth estate		National
	500	500	33	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
	407	419	22	Sportsnet	MLB Baseball San Diego Padres at Seattle Mariners.					Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30	Basketball	NBA Basketball: Western Conference Semifinal Game 6 -- Lakers at Jazz					EURO Classic Soccer (N)		SportsCentre
cable variety	552	543	25	YTV	Ghost	Adrenaline	Naruto (CC)	Avatar	Futurama	Bleach (CC)	Death Note	Gundam Seed	Shadow
	555	545	50	TEL	George	Road Runner	Scooby Doo	Futurama	Chicken	Chicken	Mars Attacks! ★★ (1996) Jack Nicholson.		
	268	354	5	KNO	Emily of New Moon (CC)		The Royal "Fever" (CC)		Sahara With Michael Palin		Cinema Asia "China" (N)		Homefront
	575	583	20	CMT	Home Imp.	Roseanne	The Road Hammers: Live		Reba (CC)	Hope & Faith	Home Imp.	Roseanne	Ed "Trapped"
	615	520	51	A&E	CSI: Miami "Wannabe" (CC)		The Sopranos "The Ride"		CSI: Miami "Invasion" (CC)		CSI: Miami (CC)		CSI: Miami
	521	560	34	TLC	10 Years Younger (CC)		What Not to Wear (CC)		What Not to Wear (CC)		10 Years Younger (CC)		What Not
	616	522	33	SHO	ReGenesis (CC)		Cold Squad "Marcey Bennett"		Kenny-Spenny	Kenny-Spenny	Webdreams	Webdreams	Sin Cities
	294	650	47	TBS	(6:00) Pretty Woman ★★★ (1990) (CC)			Sex and-City	Sex and-City	(:40) The Perfect Man ★★ (2005) Hilary Duff. (CC)			
	603	561	32	FN	Diner, Drive-In	Road Tasted	Dinner	The Heat	Iron Chef America (CC)		Tasty Travels	Giada	Diner, Drive-In
	320	621	30	CEN	Evan Almighty ★★ (2007) Steve Carell.			(:40) Lord of War ★★ (2005, Drama) Nicolas Cage, Jared Leto. (CC)					Evan Almighty
	581	566	101	MTV	Shot at Love	The Hills	Hills	MTV Screen	Shot at Love-Tila Tequila		Shot at Love	The Hills	Hills

SATURDAY 5/17/08

	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3	Canada Russia '72 (2006) (Part 2 of 2) Booth Savage. (CC)				Mayor of the Sunset Strip ★★★ (2003) Cher (CC)				News (CC)
	255	358	6	E News	Fashion	Love Sick: Secrets of a Sex Addict (2008) David James Elliott.				Spring Break	Spring Break	The Soup
	250	321	9	W-Five-My Messy Life		Prom Queen (2004) Aaron Ashmore, Marie Tifo. (CC) (DVS)				Comedy Inc.	Comedy Inc.	News (N)
	252	336	11	Real Fight Club		Mutant X "No Exit" (CC)		Andromeda (CC)		renegade	renegade	News (N)
	256	389	12	New Canoe	Island Week	Hitch ★★★ (2005) Will Smith. A smooth-talker helps a shy accountant woo an heiress.						Star-at Movies
	253	359	13	CITY	Stargate Atlantis "The Ark"		Murdoch Mysteries (CC)		Manufacturing Dissent (2007) (CC)		Speakers	Role
	-	-	44	CW	CSI: Miami "Game Over"		King	King	Frasier (CC)	Frasier (CC)	CSI: Miami "Recoil" (CC)		Cold Case
	289	381	15	CBS	Entertainment Tonight (N)		Cold Case "Thrill Kill" (CC)		CSI: NY (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)		News (N)
	287	379	16	NBC	Backroads	Inside Edition	Medium "Wicked Game"		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order "Illegal" (CC)		News (N)
	288	380	21	ABC	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Hitch ★★★ (2005) Will Smith. A smooth-talker helps a shy accountant woo an heiress.						KOMO 4 News
	290	382	23	FOX	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Cops (N) (PA)	Cops (CC)	America's Most Wanted		News (N)	Scrubs (CC)	MADtv (CC)
family sports news	502	390	63	NW	Planet Earth "Shallow Seas"		Sat. Report	Weekend	Sat. Report	At Issue	Planet Earth "Shallow Seas"		Sat. Report
	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Special Investigations		Larry King Live		CNN Saturday Night		
	407	419	22	RSP	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		NBA XL	UFC: Access	The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		FullTiltPoker
	400	400	30	TSN	(4:00) NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Sprint All-Star Race.				SportsCentre	Boxing Friday Night Fights. (Taped) (CC)			SportsCentre
cable variety	552	543	25	YTV	Ghost	Ghost	Mystery Hnt.	Mystery Hnt.	Adrenaline	Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.	Mystery Hnt.	Ghost
	555	545	50	TEL	Chaotic	Johnny Test	Chop Socky	Futurama	Chicken	Mars Attacks! ★★ (1996) Jack Nicholson, Glenn Close.			
	268	354	5	KNO	National Geographic (CC)		Heartbeat (CC)		Midsomer Murders "Destroying Angel" (CC)				Mrs. Pritchard
	575	583	20	CMT	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Grand Ole Opry Live		Reba (CC)	Reba (CC)	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Crossroads
	615	520	51	A&E	The First 48 (CC)		Flip This House (CC)		The First 48 (CC)		The First 48 (CC)		The First 48
	521	560	34	TLC	Moving Up (N) (CC)		Flip House	Date-House	Trading Spaces (CC)		Moving Up (CC)		Moving Up
	616	522	33	SHO	(6:00) Lies and Crimes (2007)		The Haunting of Sorority Row (2007) Leighton Meester. (CC)				Kenny-Spenny	Kenny-Spenny	Trailer Park
	294	650	47	TBS	Replacements	Varsity Blues ★★ (1999) James Van Der Beek. (CC)			Lethal Weapon ★★★ (1987, Action) (PA) Mel Gibson. (CC)				
	603	561	32	FN	Kitchen Nightmares "Lela's"		Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares		Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinner	Bobby Flay	Secret Life of
	320	621	30	CEN	Transformers ★★★ (2007) Shia LaBeouf, Tyrese Gibson. Premiere. (CC)				(:25) Snakes on a Plane ★★ (2006) (CC)				Transformers
	581	566	101	MTV	Cribs (CC)	4REAL (CC)	Hills	MTV e2 (CC)	MTV Shuffle (CC)		MTV Peaks	MTV Screen	Hills

SUNDAY 5/18/08

	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3	Wind at My Back (CC)		Movie				CBC News: Sunday Night (N)		News (CC)
	255	358	6	Extreme Makeover: Home		Extreme Makeover: Home		Psych (CC)		The Soup	Kardashians	News (N)
	250	321	9	Criminal Minds "True Night"		CSI: Crime Scene Invstgtn.		Desperate Housewives "The Gun Song; Free" (CC)				News (N)
	252	336	11	renegade	Family Guy	The Simpsons	King of Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	Family Guy	King of Hill	News (N)
	256	389	12	Monk (CC)		Kyle XY (CC)		America's Next Top Model		Stargate SG-1 (CC)		ideaCity
	253	359	13	Biography "Patrick Dempsey"		The 43rd Annual Academy of Country Music Awards Excellence in the recording industry.						Role
	-	-	44	CW	America's Next Top Model	Hates Chris	Aliens	The Game	Girlfriends	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Without Trace
	289	381	15	CBS	60 Minutes (CC)		The 43rd Annual Academy of Country Music Awards Excellence in the recording industry.						News (N)
	287	379	16	NBC	Dateline NBC (CC)		The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Law & Order: SVU		News (N)
	288	380	21	ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives "The Gun Song; Free" (CC)				KOMO 4 News
	290	382	23	FOX	King of Hill	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	King of Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)	Q It Up Sports	Law/Ord SVU
family sports news	502	390	63	NW	Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room ★★★ (2005) (CC)				CBC News: Sunday Night		Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room (2005)		
	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		Special Investigations		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Investigations
	407	419	22	RSP	MLB Baseball		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Jays	Canucks TV	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Jays
	400	400	30	TSN	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		Boxing (CC)				Euro 2008		SportsCentre
cable variety	552	543	25	YTV	Kids' Choice Awards		Dance on Sunset (CC)		Falcon Beach (CC)		Falcon Beach (CC)		Dark Oracle
	555	545	50	TEL	Total Drama	Total Drama	Fred's Head	Futurama	Chicken	Punch (N)	South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut ★★★		
	268	354	5	KNO	National Geographic (CC)		Rosemary and Thyme (CC)		New Tricks (CC)		The Amazing Mrs. Pritchard		Last Detective
	575	583	20	CMT	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Willie Nelson and Friends: Live and Kickin' (CC)				Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Willie Nelson
	615	520	51	A&E	The Sopranos "Moe 'n' Joe"		(:14) The First 48 (CC)		(:14) The First 48 (CC)		(:14) The First 48 (CC)		The Sopranos
	521	560	34	TLC	Big Medicine Diabetes. (N)		Big Medicine Health issues.		Big Medicine (CC)		Big Medicine Diabetes. (CC)		Big Medicine
	616	522	33	SHO	Family in Hiding (2006, Suspense) Brenda Strong. (CC)				Trailer Park	Rent-A-Goalie	Sin City ★★★ (2005) Jessica Alba. (CC)		
	294	650	47	TBS	School	The School of Rock ★★★ (2003, Comedy) Jack Black, Joan Cusack. (CC)					Orange County ★★ (2002) Colin Hanks. (CC)		
	603	561	32	FN	Jamie	Nigella	Chef School	Fink (CC)	Iron Chef America (CC)		Jamie	Nigella	Giada
	320	621	30	CEN	Surf's Up ★★★ (2007) Jeff Bridges (CC)			StuntDawgs	ReGenesis (CC)		(9:50) The Nanny Diaries ★★ (2007, Comedy)		
	581	566	101	MTV	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	4REAL (CC)	Hills	MTV Shuffle (CC)		MTV Screen	4REAL (CC)	MTV Shuffle

Gay TV channel drags in RuPaul

MTV Networks' Logo, which targets lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender viewers, has greenlighted a reality competition series starring noted drag queen RuPaul.

RuPaul's Drag Race will feature contestants competing to become "America's next superstar drag queen," with RuPaul serving as host, mentor and judge." Online voters will help pick one of the contestants at *www.RuPaulsDragRace .com*.

The hourlong, six-episode series is expected to debut on Logo's digital cable channel early next year.

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Shania single again

Shania Twain and her husband, producer Robert "Mutt" Lange, have split, *People.com* reports.

"Shania Twain and her husband, music producer Robert 'Mutt' Lange, are separating after 14 years of marriage," spokesman Jason Owen says in a statement. "This is a private matter and there will be no further comment at this time."

Twain, 42, and Lange, 59, married in 1993, just six months after meeting. They are parents to a six-year-old son, Eja D'Angelo.

In 2002, Twain opened up about her and Lange's relationship, saying: "Our love has always been based on friendship and compatibility," though, she added, "we are very different."

In early 2000, press reports surfaced that their then seven-year marriage was in trouble, but the couple remained together. Around the same time, Twain all but disappeared from public life, retreating to Tour-de-Peilz, Switzerland. "I needed a break, physically and mentally," she explained of her move. "I needed to leave behind the whole 'Shania' thing and be myself."

In the December 2007 issue of Redbook, Twain said: "I struggled a lot internally with my fame, and coping with it has been very difficult."

As for getting back into the public eye with a new perfume and album to be released this year, she says, "I'm not naturally a spotlight person ... [But] I don't mind being the centre of attention in a controlled, comfortable environment." Metro News Services

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Foster alone

JODIE FOSTER has split with her long-term partner Cydney Bernard, *imdb.com* reports. The news comes just five months after the actress paid tribute to her alleged partner of 14 years at an award ceremony. The 45-year-old, who had never before acknowledged Bernard in public, gushed about her during an acceptance speech in December, saying: "My beautiful Cydney, who sticks with me through with me through the rotten and the bliss." The couple has two adopted children together. Foster's publicist was unavailable for comment. Metro News Services

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Owen, Kate split

KATE HUDSON and Owen Wilson have called it quits, less than two months after rekindling their romance in Miami, *People.com* reports.

The end of their erratic courtship (they began dating in September '06) comes amid erroneous reports that the pair were engaged, fuelled by photos of Hudson wearing a Tiffany & Co. ring both on-and-off set of Bride Wars, which she's filming in Boston.

"It was a pretty bad breakup," says a Wilson pal. "Owen said it was a tough one. He definitely doesn't want to dwell on it. He wants to put it behind him."

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Rumer to sing

RUMER WILLIS is set to release a record, *femalefirst.co.uk* reports. The 19-year-old aspiring star – the daughter of Bruce Willis and Demi Moore – has reportedly caught the interest of music executives with her "deep, husky voice."

Willis recently insisted she landed a role in upcoming film Wild Cherry without any help from her A-list parents. She said: "I think when people meet me they're shocked, because the idea of celebrity children is that they're trust-fund babies that don't have any desire to work."

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Dunst dumped

MIU MIU model Kirsten Dunst has been replaced by Johnny Depp's partner Vanessa Paradis, *femalefirst.co.uk* reports. The French singer will be photographed by Mert Alas and Marcus Pioggott for the autumn advertising campaign.

Miu Miu are yet to officially comment on the switch, but it has been claimed Dunst's departure may be linked to her recent stint in Utah's Cirque Lodge rehab clinic.

Since leaving the clinic, Dunst has been seen with her rumoured new boyfriend Ryan Gosling.

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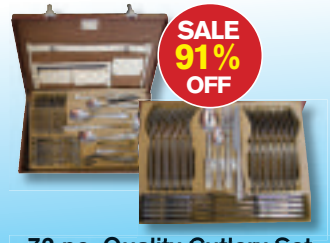
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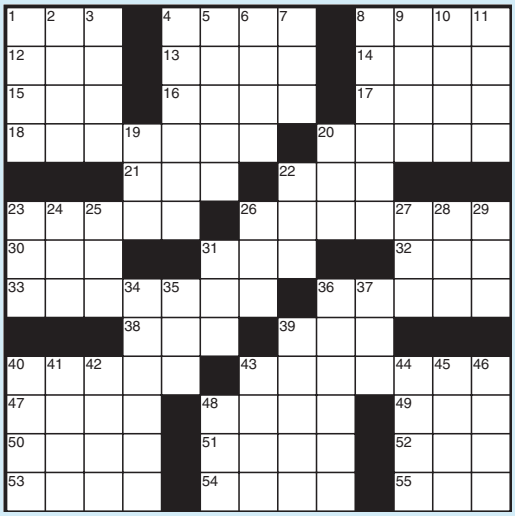

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S	O	L		D	E	B	S		S	I	B	S

HOROSCOPE

ARIES | March 21-April 20
You'll get a great idea to complete a simple task. Life lessons start getting more attention. Be careful when racing around.

TAURUS | April 21-May 21
Trust your intuition to lead you. It's a bad time for making compromises. You'll have to come up with specific information fast

GEMINI | May 22-June 21
An important person is showing interest in you. A change of heart will cause a problem. Take a serious approach to your budget.

CANCER | June 22-July 22
A clever person can make a persuasive offer. Find a place of safety when chaos breaks out. A stormy friend will get into trouble.

LEO | July 23-Aug. 23
A headstrong person leaves no stone unturned. A joker has the information that you need. Don't push too hard for perfection.

VIRGO | Aug. 24-Sept. 22
You'll be given reasons to depend on someone. Confrontations are a bad idea for relationships. A man's boredom is becoming obvious.

LIBRA | Sep. 23-Oct. 23
A guessing game has gone on too long. Someone's fall from grace exposes a plan. An experiment will succeed too well.

SCORPIO | Oct. 24- Nov. 22
An insignificant person will make idle threats. You'll be able to break unhealthy bonds. Indiscretions will give you a laugh.

SAGITTARIUS | Nov. 23- Dec. 21
Someone will set your feelings free. Find out something about a battle of wills. Any carelessness will cause an extreme reaction.

CAPRICORN | Dec. 22-Jan. 20
You'll be told about a refusal being given. A financial burden must be shared. There'll be talk of a specialist being dismissed.

AQUARIUS | Jan. 21-Feb. 18
A consultant will need your evidence. A sentimental person gets on your nerves. Break away from your bad habits now.

PISCES | Feb. 19-Mar. 20
Pleasure changes the focus of an encounter. Careless words will cause a lot of bother. Embrace some painful honesty.

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instructions »

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

solve time »

Under 13 minutes	Genius
13-17 minutes	Scholar
17-21	Smart
21-25	Pretty good
More than 25	Keep practising

previous answer

9	5	4	8	2	6	1	7	3
3	6	2	5	1	7	4	9	8
1	7	8	3	4	9	6	5	2
6	2	1	7	8	3	5	4	9
8	9	7	1	5	4	2	3	6
5	4	3	9	6	2	7	8	1
4	8	5	6	9	1	3	2	7
2	3	6	4	7	8	9	1	5
7	1	9	2	3	5	8	6	4

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Temperature Normals
High: 16.9°
Low: 8.1°

Records
High: 22.4°/1997
Low: 3.9°/1937

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Moonrise: 5:53 p.m.

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